

Vermont PBS Kids and Education: May 2022

Vermont Public Broadcasting System (PBS) and the Agency of Education (AOE) continue their partnership to support learning for Vermont students and school communities heading into the new school year. This partnership provides access to free educational programming, curricular connections, offline kits, and distance learning tutorials through [Vermont PBS Kids and Education](#).

The Broadcast Schedule can be found [online](#), for in classroom or take-home enrichment.

Would you like to know more? Watch the webinars:

- [Beyond Screen Time: The Fundamentals of PBS Navigation](#) (1 Hour)
- [Playful Learning Collections for Home: Resources for Parents](#) (1 Hour)
- [Molly of Denali: Indigenous Cultural and Informational Text](#) (1 Hour)

Join the Vermont PBS Educational Resources group on [Edmodo](#) and share resources related to PBS programming and classroom strategies. To join the group:

- Activate your Edmodo account and join the VTED Learns community by filling out [this form](#).
- [Join the group](#) with the link provided or the group code “zyqyd4.”

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As a primary resource, [PBS LearningMedia](#) provides recommended collections for PreK-12 resources for in-person or remote instruction, both with or without internet access. These are anytime, anywhere resources.

Teacher Resources Accessible Ahead to Stream On-demand and Through Broadcast

NEW SURVEY!

Brave Little State wants to hear from you! They're developing lesson plans around past episodes and they want to know how teachers are already using the show. Email hello@bravelittlestate.org if you are a teacher who has used (or has ideas about using) Brave Little State in the classroom.

Teachers and community members can navigate resources in two ways:

1. Access weekly thematic bundles with specific episodes highlighted per week by content area and age-level that are available to stream on-demand. These episodes connect to specific resources on PBS LearningMedia and PBS Kids for Parents.
2. Use the Vermont PBS grids with the Incorporating PBS guides to help pick and choose specific educational series that align with content focus, standard, and age-level. Not all content is available on-demand.

Looking for Specific Content Connections?

- Go to [PBS LearningMedia](#) and search by content, standard, or grade.
- Search resources by using the [Incorporating PBS Documents](#) by series, age, or content.

Collections you might like...

Summer of Possibilities!

Support parents and caregivers this summer with curated resources they can use to spark everyday moments of learning and fun. Resources available through WIFI, interactive, or as printable resources included and noted.

The summer hub on PBS KIDS for Parents offers DIY activities, printables, games, and playtime suggestions; the summer collection on PBS LearningMedia offers PreK-5th grade teachers adaptable project ideas, fun science experiments, and a wide-range of “anytime” activities. Middle and High School Collections noted. Vermont flavor and connections here too!

Support Conversations about Ukraine

PBS Learning Media is offering context to unfolding events in Ukraine.

- For those looking to engage younger audiences around the Ukraine crisis, WVIZ/Ideastream’s [NewsDepth](#) program and KET’s [News Quiz](#) both have weekly news segments with timely updates for students in late elementary and middle school.
- PBS NewsHour Classroom has added a segment on the [Ukrainian refugee crisis](#) to **PBS LearningMedia** accompanied by classroom discussion questions for middle and high school students, and teachers can visit the [PBS NewsHour Classroom collection](#) to search for news segments covering the ongoing conflict in the region, including [these segments](#) from newscasts between December 2013 and March 2014.

Just for Teachers!

- As the nation navigates the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, this film, [A Trusted Space](#), and curriculum offers tools to mitigate the effects of grief, trauma, anxiety, and other emotional stressors affecting both students and teachers.

PreK-Grade 2

Social Emotional Learning

NEW Donkey Hodie (English/Spanish/WIFI or Print to Send Home)

- PBSLM Collection: [Donkey Hodie](#)
- Video and Activity Bundles (WIFI, Print to Send Home): [Conversation Starters](#)
- Summer fun: [Web-based Games! Froyo Stand and Art Pals](#)
- Crafts (Print to Send Home): [Character Puppets](#)

[Storytelling Packet](#) – BINGO, games, and more (Print to Send Home)

Find more at [Summer Camp](#)

Curiosity and Wonder

But Why Podcast – [“Are Llamas Ticklish? And Other Silly Questions”](#)

- Listen (WIFI/19 minutes)
- [Learning Guide](#) (PDF, Download, Print to Send Home)

[Between the Lions Poem](#): Doggy Days and others (:40 seconds)

[Summer of Possibilities Activity Book](#) (PDF, Download or Print)

- If you want a printed copy sent to your address, please email hduhamel@vermontpbs.org

A look ahead to June: Come back to find local Vermont connections including the **Montshire Museum** Ticket Raffle and the **Seven Days** SUMMER Good Citizen’s Challenge.

Grades 3-5

Poetry and Music

[Seasons of Change Poem: Seya’s Song](#) (Interactive/WIFI): In this online book from the International Children's Digital Library, a young American Indian describes the natural surroundings and activities of the S'Klallam, or Clallam, people through the seasons of the year. The book includes a glossary of S'Klallam words.

[Langston Hughes Jazz Poetry](#) (Video/WIFI/Discussion)

[Music and Pitch: STEAM Camp](#) (Video/WIFI/Discussion): Learn about pitch and how instruments make music with the help of Christopher Vivas from the Las Vegas Philharmonic.

A look ahead to summer: Come back in June to find local Vermont connections from VPR (on-air/online) who will share more about kid composers from **Music-Comp!**

Middle School

Storytelling and Poetry

PBSLM Summer of Learning Collection

- [Reading, Writing, and Storytelling](#) (WIFI/Download)
- [NEW Virtual Tours](#) (WIFI): Take a virtual roadtrip across the United States, explore cultures of the world, read maps, and learn how your favorite geological features formed with these videos and activities.

Poetry Everywhere

- [Essays, Videos, and Poetry Readings](#) (WIFI/Download): Explore the power of language, look at the world with a fresh sense of wonder, and build reading and writing skills. These video segments, drawn from the PBS Poetry Everywhere series, capture some of the voices of poetry,

past and present. This collection includes topics such as Arts and Dance, Culture and Identity, Family and Marriage, and more.

Vermont Connection! [Clemmons Family Farm Storytelling Room](#) (WIFI): “We actively promote the deeper understanding and appreciation of African American and African diaspora history, arts, and culture. We foster opportunities to learn from our past, shape our present, and invest in our future.”

High School

Poetry and Story Science

[PBSLM Poetry in America Collection](#): *Poetry in America* gathers distinguished interpreters from all walks of life to explore and debate 12 unforgettable American poems. Athletes, poets, politicians, musicians, architects, scientists, actors, entrepreneurs, and citizens of all ages join together with host and Harvard professor Elisa New to experience and share the power of poetry.

- [Incorporating Poetry and America into Your Classroom](#) includes suggested ELA standards alignment and [other resources](#).
- [Video and Printable Activities](#) (WIFI, Teacher Resource Download)
- [Opportunities, Full Episodes, and Events](#) are available at the series website.

Vermont Connection! Brave Little State (Podcast): [How has the geology of Vermont affected its character?](#) – Explore how Vermont’s bedrock helped shape its identity and made it different from its neighbors.