



**Community  
Foundation  
for MetroWest**

**Youth in Philanthropy @ Natick  
Fall 2026 • Class Calendar & Curriculum Overview**

**Tuesdays, 7:00-8:30 pm  
Community Foundation for MetroWest, 3 Eliot Street, Natick, MA 01760**

<b>Session</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Description</b>
1	September 15	Introductions, Defining Philanthropy
2	September 22	Learning About the Community Foundation for MetroWest, Defining Community, Community Needs Assessment Quiz
3	September 29	Nonprofit Structure, First Time Philanthropists, Fundraising Planning
4	October 6	Grants: Application Criteria, What is an RFP?, Budgets
5	October 13	Consensus Building, Sample Decision Making, Introduce YIP Board
6	October 20	Board Speeches and Voting, Grant Proposals
7	October 27	Grant Decision Making, Fundraising
8	November 3	Grant Review and Discussion, Fundraising Check-in, Mid-program Check-in
9	November 10	Site Visit Preparation
10	November 17 * <b>4pm-7pm</b>	<b>Virtual Site Visits</b> – Students will attend remotely.
11	December 1 * <b>4pm-7pm</b>	<b>In-Person Site Visits</b> – Students will meet at regular meeting location to take bus to multiple nonprofit sites.
12	December 8	Site Visit Reflection, Final Decision Making
13	December 15	Final Decisions, Preparation for Grant Defense Presentation
14	January 5	Preparation for Grant Defense Presentation
15	January 12	Grant Defense Presentation
16	January 19	Personal Philanthropic Roadmap, Program Evaluations, Graduation Preparation, Activism
17	<b>Date TBD*</b> <b>7:00-8:30pm</b>	<b>Graduation Ceremony</b> <i>Location TBD*</i>

*\*Meeting times and locations may vary  
Lesson order subject to change*

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