



# Transform Rhode Island Scholarship

“Sweet Talkers is a way forward for kids with speech delays through baking. Two of my little brothers have speech delays and I’ve seen how much they have learned through baking. I would like to help others learn as well.”

~ Zachary Jean-Philippe  
Cranston High School West

**Zachary Jean-Philippe**

## BIG IDEA:

Sweet Talkers is a multi-sensory platform aimed at empowering young children with speech and language impairments to learn to speak through baking. By merging speech therapy techniques with hands-on activities, we help develop language and confidence in a fun environment.

Our goal is to equip every child in Rhode Island aged 3 to 5 with the essential communication skills they need to succeed, laying a strong foundation for their academic and social growth.

## HOW WILL HE DO IT?

Children participating in Sweet Talkers’ six-week workshop will learn together in the kitchen through baking.

While making treats such as muffins and cupcakes, they will focus on speech therapy techniques including articulation practice, phonological awareness, auditory discrimination, and more.



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