



Nana and Keily at PPSD's robotics summer camp.

PROVIDENCE, R.I. -- On a warm summer day at the Fox Point Boys and Girls Club of Providence, voices echo along the crystal-clear 25-meter pool. Dozens of middle school students are cheering each other on as they maneuver challenging underwater obstacles. You won't find students in the water, though. Instead, you'll find robots – built by eager middle school students participating in the Providence Public School District's full-day, STEM-focused summer learning program.

"I learned a lot," said **Keily**, a rising eighth

grader at Nathanael Greene Middle School.

Keily, joined by friend and incoming Juanita Sanchez freshman **Nana**, was all smiles as she and her peers navigated the competition.

"I really liked it," Nana said of the program held at Del Sesto Middle School.

The soon-to-be high schooler is hoping to **keep the summer learning momentum and excel in her classes at JSEC.**

"I really like math," she said. "I'm an all-'A'

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student in math. I do well. It feels great."

Keily, who enjoys history classes, hopes to encourage students to participate in out-of-school learning opportunities and be open to exploring various subject areas, such as robotics and other STEM-focused programs.

"You don't know if you're good at it unless you try," Keily said.

*Remember, **being present is essential for students to learn.***

*Providence Public Schools' first day is September 6. Wish students luck and join the conversation using **#Cool2BeinSchoolRI** and **#Back2SchoolRI.***

