

RPG Research on Wizards of the Coast "Dragon Talk"



We are helping people heal, improving the quality of life for diverse populations around the world, by providing accessible & inclusive, collaborative research-supported programs, using music and role-playing games.

Researching RPGs since 1983, providing programs in schools since 1985, in therapeutic settings and online since 2004. We are a 501(c)3 non-profit. RPG Research provides an open international community, sharing, studying, and providing accessible & inclusive, collaborative music and games, to help improve people's lives!

VISION

Use scientific research to determine the actual benefits & caveats of participating in role-playing game & music activities. Over time we will:

- Eliminate myths & stigma associated with RPGs.
- Help participants achieve an improved quality of life.
- Raise the experience of the human condition globally by sharing knowledge on a free platform platform that is accessible to all.
- Encourage others to use this free platform to share their findings.
- Provide free skills-training to who want to volunteer to achieve these goals.
- Provide services to achieve the ends stated above.

RESEARCH

Research shows that people who regularly participate in RPGs have significant advantages over those who do not, including: lower suicide rates, lower feelings of meaninglessness, stronger communication, math, reading, writing, problem-solving, & social skills. They are also more adept at team building, research, cooperation, impulse control, leadership & empathy, and are often more creative.

Research *does* indicate role-playing gaming has a strong *causal* relationship for **educational benefits**, leading to many schools throughout the world now using RPGs in various forms for education, from K-12 & beyond. Research also indicates there may be **significant therapeutic benefits** for participants as well, but this needs to be clarified through additional scientific testing.



RPG Research Founder Recreational Therapist Hawke Robinson at WorldCon 73

NORTHEAST YOUTH CENTER & KREM2 NEWS



RPG Research at NYEC with
Eastern Washington University
Society for Creative Anachronism
2007



RPG Research on NWCN & KREM2 News



RPG Research at Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) 2017

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

We are very active in multiple communities locally and globally. Here is a short summary of just a few of our many regular and recurring programs many of which are available to the public:

www.rpgresearch.com/schedule

* Wheelchair accessible RPG Bus: www.rpgbus.com

* Accessible RPG Trailer: www.rpgtrailer.com

* Game Master Training Workshops:

www.gmworkshops.com

* Heroes of the Mist Audience Interactive tabletop role-playing gaming show: www.mistheroes.com

* Regular international researcher meetings:

www.rpgresearch.com/researchers

* Several Applied Gaming Meetings & Broadcasts per week: www.appliedrpg.com

* RPG Talk Show: www.rpgtalkshow.com

* Drop In & RPG Community Outreach programs helping dozens of people each week:

www.dropinandrpg.com

* Cooperative music and drum circles:

www.rpgresearch.com/music

* RPG Retreats. periodic intensive music and RPG training retreats: www.rpgretreat.com



POPULATIONS

We work with all populations from 2 years old to 102+ years old, including but not limited to:

- At-risk youth
- ADHD
- Autism spectrum (ASD / PDD)
- Brain injury (TBI/stroke, etc.)
- DD/DI
- Deaf & HoH
- Incarcerated and transitional
- In-patient/out-patient transition
- Mental & physical health
- MD & CP
- Skills training/development
- Social phobias
- Social skills development
- Visually impaired, & many others



ACCESSIBLE & INCLUSIVE

Wheelchair accessible RPG Trailer & RPG Bus



SUPPORT OUR PROGRAMS: DONATE

You can help the non-profit RPG Research achieve the goals of research and community programs by becoming a members, supporting us:

www.rpgresearch.com/donate



Photo: RPG Research Volunteers in front of Wheelchair Friendly RPG Trailer (2017)

VOLUNTEER OR SCHEDULE TODAY!

We more than 50 volunteers around the world, spanning 4 continents (and growing!) researching the effects of all role-playing game formats. www.rpgresearch.com/volunteer - RPG Research, A 501(c) non-profit charity.

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