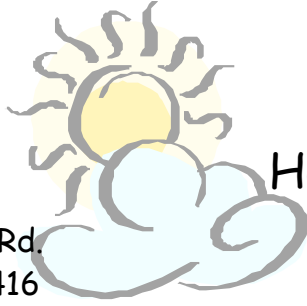


Delta

VISION

August 2008



Home and Community Program

1080 Pioneer Rd.
Delta, CO 81416

www.deltavision2.com

874-8226

Fax: 874-8336

Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Building Changes

Inside

Director's Message

Educator Catalog

Poster Contest

Yearbooks

A number of changes and additions have been made to the building and campus over the last thirty days. In an effort to make more room for Learners, the library and the work room have traded places. Outside we have added a number of additional parking spaces, and the long awaited basketball court is nearly finished. Additional office and classroom space will be located in a modular building located on the east end of the grounds at Garnet Mesa Elementary School. This building will house the highly qualified support staff. The classroom will be used primarily by high school aged Learners.

Welcome New Staff

There are a number of new faces around the office. In order to meet state and district accountability requirements, six highly qualified personnel are now on staff: Desiree Beilfuss, Jane Knob, Julie Mulford, Donna Owen, Stacy Robertson, and Dan Westesen. There are also five new RCs: Melissa Coridan, Nicole Goff, Tammy Nelson, Sara Petersen, and Julia Guntel. Welcome to all!

From the Director

Greetings,

I hope that all of you have had a productive and fun summer. As we begin our trek through the 2008-2009 school year, you will find that the Delta VHCP office personnel have been busily preparing for the journey. The preparation has ranged from increasing space and opportunities for our Learners, to training current and new RCs for the year ahead. Let me share some the exciting things with you:

- Space for Learners - If you have ever been in our building during the school year, you know how alive it is with Learners. I have to say that I delight with the activity within the building and look forward to experiencing the excitement throughout the building as it fills with Learners once again. In response to the need for more study space (if you have tried to navigate the halls while stepping over Learners, you know what I am referring to), we have moved the library to the old workroom. This space is much larger and so far, the Learners who have found refuge in it are truly grateful. This also means that the RC workroom is quite a bit smaller; however, we have always placed the Learners at the forefront of our decisions and this is no exception. We hope that both the RCs and Learners will enjoy their new space. Speaking of space, have you noticed the larger lower parking lot? We hope that the increase of parking spaces will help with the chaos of parking at our building. Finally, the school district has agreed to let us use the Garnet Mesa mobile classrooms. This provides two extra classrooms for the DVHCP.
- Opportunities for Learners - If you picked up an Educator Catalog at the Parent Conference in July, you are already aware of the amazing classes that are being offered. We have never had such a large and varied network of opportunities for DVHCP Learners. It is clear that the Educators are excited for the new year because practically all of space in both the building and the Garnet Mesa classrooms have already been reserved. Call the Educators to reserve your space in the classes as soon as you have created your Learning Plan. In addition to the wide array of classes being offered by the independent Educators, I encourage you to take a look at the Menu of Opportunities. These are items that have been requested by Learners, but difficult for individuals to organize. So the DVHCP has organized and found group rates for some items which range from activities for the creative (VISION Ventures), the active (Powderhorn ski days) to the academic (Math Lab, Writing Lab, Science Lab, and Foreign Language Lab). Don't forget to check out the adopted curricula, Odysseyware and Plato.
- Training for the new year - RCs have been spending their July training for the new system of accountability and resourcing. They are setting up the online "notebooks" and are eager to share in the educational process for your Learner. The Delta VHCP just hired five new RCs which expands our diverse family of RCs in order to provide the best match for your family.

As we embark on our learning paths for the new year, I encourage the families to savor the process. How better to instill of a love of learning than to model it yourself. I look forward to sharing this school year with each of you. Enjoy the journey.

Parent Wednesday Classes

Please call to reserve a space in each class you are interested in taking!
If you sign up and then find you are unable to attend please call the office to let us know so others can participate.

July 9:

Options for Struggling Learners

Gerry Lell has some ideas to share on options for Learners who might be struggling. He will also discuss the process for accessing special funds. Bring any questions you might have.
TIME: 9am - 10am
LIMIT: 20 Parents
TEACHER: Gerry Lell



July 9:

How to Choose a Curriculum

Come and get some tips on how to choose a curriculum, different kinds available and what works best for your family.

TIME: 1pm - 3pm
LIMIT: 20 Parents
TEACHER: Dolly Hill



July 9:

College Your Way

This workshop will be an overview on how to earn college credits and even degrees through distance learning and credit by examination. Colleges with external degree programs will be discussed as well as many helpful books, websites and other resources.

TIME: 10am - 11am
LIMIT: 20 Parents
TEACHER: Liz Ackerman

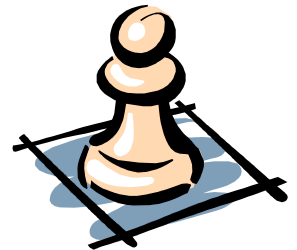


July 9:

Games People Play

How to make education fun with games! We will also discuss multiple intelligences and how to create games to teach a certain idea.

TIME: 11am - Noon
LIMIT: 20 Parents
TEACHER: Mike Ackerman



July 23:

Adopted Curricula: Plato & Odyssey Ware

Today we will go over the basics of the new adopted curricula in which we will look at Plato in the morning and Odyssey Ware in the afternoon. This will help you to see the advantages of using one of these for your Learners and which one best suits your family situation.

TIME: 10am - 11:30am Plato
Noon - 1:30pm Odyssey Ware
LIMIT: 15 Parents
MATERIALS: Lap top optional
TEACHER: Dolly Hill



July 23:

Funding on Google Land

Come and see how easy it will be to do funding with all the forms on Google Calendar!

TIME: 9am - 10am
LIMIT: 20 Parents
TEACHER: Cheryl Dyer



Parent Wednesday Classes

July 23:

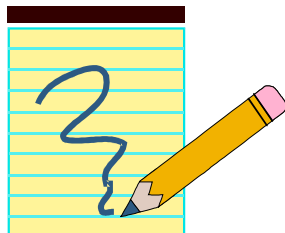
How to set up Your Classroom

In this session you will get tips on how to organize and set up your classroom so it works for you!

TIME: 2pm - 3pm

LIMIT: 15 Parents

TEACHER: Jane Knob



August 6:

How to Count Hours for Credit

Come and get the basics on how to count your hours of learning for credit. Work studies will also be discussed. There will be a time for question and answers.

TIME: 9am - 10am

LIMIT: 20 Parents

TEACHER: Angela Toothaker



August 20:

Adopted Curricula: Plato & Odyssey Ware

Today we will go over the basics of the new adopted curricula in which we will look at Plato in the morning and Odyssey Ware in the afternoon. This will help you to see the advantages of using one of these for your Learners and which one best suits your family situation.

TIME: 10am - 11:30am Odyssey Ware

Noon - 1:30pm Plato

LIMIT: 15 Parents

MATERIALS: Lap top

TEACHER: Dolly Hill



August 6:

Menu Items: How they Work

Today we will discuss each of the menu items available for Learners to choose from and how they work.

TIME: 10am - 11:30

LIMIT: 20 Parents

TEACHER: Jennifer Quinn



August 6:

Scantron: How to Get all the Benefits

Andrea will discuss how to help your Learner do their best on the Scantron tests, when the best time is to do them and all the extra benefits available to you.

TIME: 1pm - 2:30

LIMIT: 20 Parents

MATERIALS: Lap top

TEACHER: Andrea Gressman



August 6:

Foreign Language Facts / New District Requirements

Why do we care about Foreign Languages? Come and discuss this with us as well as different methods of teaching foreign languages and get questions answered about the new district requirements for the class of 2010.

TIME: 2:30pm - 4:30pm

LIMIT: 20 Parents

TEACHER: Nora Resz

August 20:

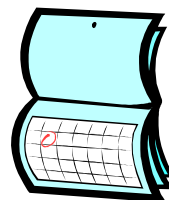
How to Use Google Calendar to Document

Come and see how easy it is to document your Learners progress in Google Calendar! Your hours are a breeze to track.

TIME: 9am - 10am

LIMIT: 20 Parents

TEACHER: Jeff Clemens



Educator Catalog

The first semester Educator Catalog is out and it is bigger and better than ever. The language arts section alone has over twenty listings. There is a new Menu Item section that offers a number of classes at reduced cost. Popular activities like Math Lab, ACT Prep, and Powderhorn Ski School are back, along with a many new opportunities including R.E.A.C.H. (Resources, Education, Accountability, Community, Hope). Biology Lab, Study Island, and many, many more. Catalogs are being distributed by RCs. If you have not received one, contact your RC.

Poster Contest

Theme:

Why Algebra is Important

Fine Print

Size - No larger than a hot air balloon and no smaller than a math book

Several categories of winners

Open to any VISION Learner between the ages of 1 day to 100 years

Posters do not necessarily have to be serious, because seriously, how many people do you know that totally LOVE algebra?

Well, besides Julie...

Prizes are yet to be determined, but have a very high probability of being food related since Julie is in charge

Posters should be turned into the VISION office by September 10, 2008

Questions? jmulford@deltavision2.com

YEARBOOKS ARE HERE!

\$5.00

Pick up at front desk

Non Profit
U.S. Postage Paid
Delta, CO 81416
Permit #31



Delta VISION
Home & Community Program
1080 Pioneer Road
Delta, CO 81416

Stewards Retreat

On Tuesday August 12, 2008 from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM there will be a Stewards Retreat at the Leroux Creek Inn. Discussion will focus on the future direction of the entire VISION Home and Community Program. Anyone interested in joining the discussion is welcome to attend. Contact the office for more information.