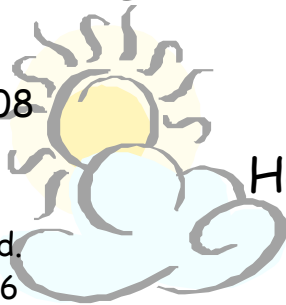


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Home and Community Program

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VISION STAFF

The Delta VISION Home And Community Program continues to grow and evolve. Each year, resources and the associated support staff are put in place to provide Families, Learners, and RCs the best of all services and options, while also addressing the directives of the school district and the state. This year's staff:

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Assessment Coordinator
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ELL
Librarian
Tutor
Learning Specialist

All these individuals along with the Highly Qualified team and Resource Consultants are dedicated to providing the best educational opportunities for each and every Learner.

From the Director

In the VHCP, the term Learning Plan is used to describe the document that outlines the chosen educational path for a Learner. It is the curriculum. The textbooks, online courses, and materials listed in the Learning Plan are resources, but the Learning Plan itself is a comprehensive curriculum chosen individually for each Learner based upon specific needs, skills, and desires. This makes the document very important because the critical components of a curriculum should be well thought out and completely understood by the Educator, Parent, Learner, RC and Highly Qualified Consultant.

1. What is the Learner going to learn - this is the subject and course. This should be about what someone NEEDS to learn combined with what someone WANTS to learn. For older Learners, this conversation should focus upon their future goals beyond high school. Do they want to pursue a specific field (college, trade, workforce)? What skills will they need to get there? The goal is to help young people learn at an early age how to make informed choices about the present by analyzing the past and considering the future.
2. How is the Learner going to gain the skills - this is the type of engagement that best suits an individual learning style in order for the Learner to acquire the desired skills. It is not only important to find good resources (textbooks or materials), but also to determine what approach will be most effective in gaining the targeted skills (a class, tutor, parent-guided, or independent study). If a Learner struggles in one of these settings, try a different engagement strategy.
3. What resources does a Learner need to succeed - this is the material needs of the Learner to achieve success. What kind of books, project materials, educational trips, software, equipment, instructor fees, etc. are going to be needed in order for the Learner to complete his or her chosen path? The amount of funds that Learners have access to may not cover all of the needs, so you must discuss and decide upon the priorities.
4. How will success be measured - assessment is a critical component. Things can look really good on a Learning Plan, but there must be a way to assess if your goals are being met. This does not have to be testing, but it has to be measurable. Some examples of measurable goals are: weekly class attendance, acceptable test scores set at a specific percent, number of projects completed, class participation as determined by an educator, number of times per week the activity will be undertaken, or anything else that can quantify and assess whether the chosen path is helping the Learner accomplish the overall goal. Is the goal to "learn Spanish" or be "exposed to Spanish?" Each goal requires different assessments.

A quality Learning Plan will assist the consensus group (RC, Learner, Parent, and Highly Qualified) in determining what the Learner will do, how they will do it, and whether or not it is working. If something is not working, one or more parts (method of instruction, the resource used, or the assessment based upon the overall goal) within the Learning Plan should be changed. Do not erase what has already been tried, learn from it. Just date the updated choices in the Learning Plan and document the reasons for the change in the Weekly Journal. Together, we can find the optimal learning environment for all Learners and celebrate when they have found success.

Wednesday Classes

Learners can sign up for Wednesday Classes two days after the newsletter has been mailed out. If you are unable to attend a class you signed up for, please call the office to let us know so others can participate. If you did not sign up for

Wednesday classes on the Menu of Opportunities there will be a charge for each Wednesday class you attend (see amount in parenthesis). Please pay Marie at the front desk when you arrive. We ask that you be prompt in picking your learners up so educators don't have to wait after the class is over. Thanks!!

September 10:

Get Started on Your Portfolio

Get the year started right by being organized and having a plan for your portfolio! Come and get some ideas from Jennifer and other Learners on how to do that!! TIME: 11am -Noon AGE: all MATERIALS: Portfolio stuff (\$5) LIMIT: 10 Learners TEACHER: Jennifer Quinn



September 17:

Things With Numbers

Come and have fun with us playing games about numbers and learning some number concepts! We will also have a story and a snack. TIME: 10am -11:30 AGE: K -1st grade MATERIALS: (\$7.50 + materials) LIMIT: 10 Learners TEACHER: Amy Perkins



September 17:

Tennis

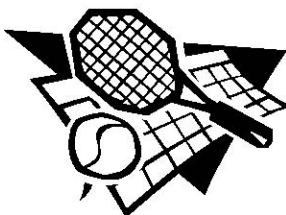
Come and enjoy a tennis lesson to start your school year off. TIME: 9am -10:00 5 -8 yrs

10am -11:00 9 -12 yrs 11am -Noon 13 -18 yrs MATERIALS: tennis racquet, (\$5.00)

LIMIT: 10 Learners

TEACHER: Ron DeLeau

This class will be held at the Rec Center tennis courts.



September 10:

Leaf Suncatcher

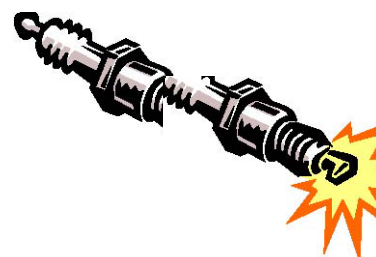
Today we will be taking real leaves and painting them on plexiglas to make beautiful suncatchers! TIME: 10:00am -Noon AGE: all MATERIALS: (\$10 + materials) LIMIT: 10 Learners TEACHER: Marty MacIntosh



September 17:

Simple Automotive Tips

This class is for the beginning driver or someone who wants to know how to maintain their vehicle. Today we will learn tasks such as how to check your oil and tire pressure, how to change your wiper blades, how to change a tire and how to check your fluid levels. TIME: 10:00am -Noon AGE: 15 and up MATERIALS: (\$10) LIMIT: 8 Learners TEACHER: Steve Kirby



Math Help Lab

Julie Mulford is available on Tuesday's from 11am - 2pm to help with any math question you may have. This class is a Menu of Opportunities item and needs to be submitted on the funding summary if you are interested in attending.

Language Lab

Language Lab will be available for learners on Mondays from 2:30 - 4:30pm. Nora Resz and Jutta Melgoza will be available for any questions you may have with Spanish, German, and French. This class is a Menu of Opportunities item and needs to be submitted on the funding summary if you are interested in attending.

September 24:

How to Can Peaches

Come join us as we can peaches. While we are waiting for them to process we will make some peach jam as well. You will be able to take some home for your family to try!!

TIME: 9am - Noon
AGE: 12 and up
MATERIALS: (\$15 + materials)
LIMIT: 8 Learners
TEACHER: Amy Bryant

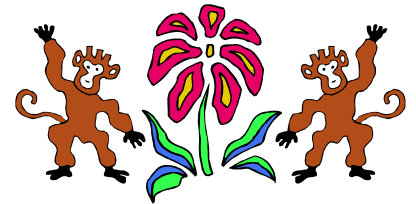


September 24:

Facts about Jane Goodall

Today we will explore the studies of Jane Goodall and have fun learning about apes and monkeys!!

TIME: 9am - 11:00
AGE: 1st - 3rd grade
MATERIALS: (\$10)
LIMIT: 10 Learners
TEACHER: Kathy Gates

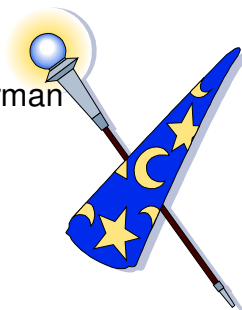


October 1:

Magician in Minutes

Martell "Magicheart" Ackerman is back with more tricks and ideas for anyone who enjoys mystifying, amazing, and entertaining people.

TIME: 10am - Noon
AGE: 10 and up
MATERIALS: deck of cards, coins, notebook (\$10)
LIMIT: 8 Learners
TEACHER: Mike / Martell Ackerman

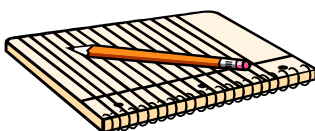
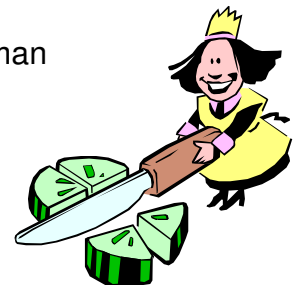


October 1:

Make Your Own Mixes

Attention cooks! Learn to make your won mixes. Jumpstart everything from soups to desserts. Same time and money while avoiding unpronounceable ingredients.

TIME: 10am - Noon
AGE: 10 and up
MATERIALS: (\$10 + supplies)
LIMIT: 8 Learners
TEACHER: Liz Ackerman



Educator Spotlight

Annalee Couch



Annalee was a new Educator to Delta Vision last spring. She originally heard about Vision from her grandmother in 2006 when she moved to the Delta area. Last spring one of our moms had heard about Annalee's art abilities and asked her to teach an art class for her child.

Annalee grew up in Colorado and went to high school in Calhan. After graduation she went to Northeastern Junior College in Sterling for Equine Sciences where she also rode race horses. She then moved to Florida and began doing some traveling seeing the states between here and Florida. Later Annalee went to Edison College in Fort Myers Florida where she received her AS degree in Business Administration and an AA degree in Art. She then went to Florida Gulf Coast University and got her BA in Elementary Education.

Annalee moved her family to Delta in 2006 and got a job teaching art at Delta Middle School. She has four children, three girls and a boy ages 16, 15, 7 and 5. Her passions are her Lord, her children, and art. She loves art because of the avenue it gives for individual expression and the fact there is no right or wrong to what is done. We are thrilled to have Annalee as part of our Educator Network!!

Teen Nights

This year, Teen Night is a menu item (\$75). Teens (13 - 18) will meet on the second Friday of every month from 5:00 - 8:00 PM. Contact Marie or your RC for additional details. The following activities have been planned:

September	Getting To Know You, Getting To Know All About You VISION Office
October	Harvest Dance - Cowboy Corral Restaurant
November	Ice Skating - Grand Junction (Transportation Provided)
December	Dinner Show: White Christmas Grand Junction (Transportation Provided)
January	Movie Night - VISION Office
February	Bowling Night "Rock & Bowl" Montrose (Transportation Provided)
March	Dance Lessons - VISION Office
April	Fat Cat Pottery
May	Drive-In Delta (Transportation Provided)
June	Camping Trip - Destination To Be Determined (Transportation Provided)

Scholastic Book Orders

Scholastic Book Clubs offer hundreds of titles at significantly reduced rates. Software and other educational items are also available. New catalogs come out every five or six weeks and can be picked up in the office. All orders are due on the 5th of each month and should include: Learner's name, total cost of items, and a check made payable to Scholastic. VISION purchase orders are also an option. Books are delivered to the office around the 20th of the month.

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Fire Trucks Are Coming

On Tuesday, September 23rd, the Delta County Fire Department will be coming to the office to talk about fire safety with the Kindergarten Club. For more information or to sign up, contact Amy Perkins (874-0153) by September 15th.