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Wanna A Chance To See "Elvis" In Las Vegas? Then You Need To Give Blood!

All presenting blood donors, Jan. 1 – Feb. 28, 2011, receive a specially designed Elvis themed rock and roll T-shirt (Not Pictured). Plus, are eligible to win one of the following prizes during the "Ultimate Elvis Sweepstakes":

- An expense paid trip for two to Las Vegas featuring tickets to Cirque du Soleil's **Viva Elvis** and accommodations at ARIA Resort & Casino™ at CityCenter.

- A VIP expense paid trip for two to Memphis featuring VIP Graceland access and accommodations at The Peabody Hotel.

All participating Keystone employees will receive 25 HLC Points for the donation and 10 points for each non-Keystone employee they recruit to donate at our blood drive.

As you can see, it's "one for the money, two for the show, three to get ready, now go, go, go" and make your blood donation appointment with the Red Cross today. As Elvis would say, "Thank you. Thank you very much."

Keystone Blood Drive Dates:

February 9, 2011 2:00 - 6:00 p.m. at the Keystone Oskaloosa Office

Schedule blood donation:

Appointments scheduled online at www.redcrossblood.org, or call 1-800-RED CROSS.

You may also schedule an appointment by contacting Lisa Morando or Debra May at (785) 863-3410.

Donors may subscribe to Red Cross texting by sending *redcross* to 42227 or registering online at redcrossblood.org.

Special Ed. Calendar

February

PDC Mtg. 2nd
New Para Inservice 3rd
Social Workers Mtg. 4th
Office Meeting w/Tim 7th
Super's Mtg. 8th
Para Committee Mtg. 9th
Keystone Blood Drive 9th
Early Childhood Mtg. 11th
Psych's Mtg. 14th
Speech/Language Mtg. 16th
Board Mtg. 16th

March

Super's Mtg. 1st
PDC Mtg. 2nd
New Para Mtg. 3rd
Social Worker's Mtg. 4th
Psych's Mtg. 7th
Board Mtg. 9th

Things Due

To Melody: Schedules
To Robin: Para Inservice Documents

Announcements

Births:

Deaths: Tim Marshall - Father-in-law
HLC: Dance in March - Info. later

From The Accounting Department:

Paras

Summer pre-payment agreements have been sent out. If you didn't receive one and feel you should have, contact Lisa Morando.

All Staff

Check your pay stub for accuracy as this will be the information used on your W-2.

There may be a slight difference in your January check due to changes in the tax brackets and Federal Social Security Taxes.

Contact Lisa Morando at 785-863-3410 or lmorando@keystonelearning.org if you have any questions.

DIRECTOR'S DIALOG FROM TIM MARSHALL

Tim and Rhonda Join To Share News With You ...

The snow on the ground continues to look fresh and anew, so it makes us ponder what is fresh and new for this year. It seems hard to fathom that we need to start our preparations for next school year already; but it takes us months to adjust once we hear the proposals made by our State Legislature and Governor. Most of you are probably aware of the proposal made by Governor Brownbeck in his State of the State address. Although his vision has not made it to the Legislatures yet, school districts and Keystone are making preliminary plans.

We want to thank each of you who have helped us keep our costs to a minimum (workshops, classroom expenses, and curriculum). The money that we save now will help us with carry-over from next year.

Now some pleasant information. We wanted to thank the para professionals who participated in the inservice training on January 3. The amount of learning that took place was outstanding. Evaluating the training after it occurred, we see that this type of training is beneficial to all those involved. We hope to create a training program like this several times a year.

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JDLA Service Learning

Join The Challenge

Students at JDLA use service learning to expand their regular academic instruction by sharing what they have learned with the community to meet a community need. They have joined the "First National Learn and Serve Challenge" happening October - April. Anyone can participate in the initiative by going to www.servicelearning.org.

The Learn & Serve Challenge will help you take simple, but strategic ways to increase awareness of and build support for service-learning in your school and local community. Together, we will increase the number of service-learning opportunities available to young people in school and community-based programs.

JDLA will culminate the challenge with the National Conference and Peacejam in April.



Rhonda's Writings

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New ways of doing business are being "rolled out" in the Keystone's business office. Please note, we see the changes as a positive force in that it will help us save resources and will allow you to have more response opportunities to your information. These changes were first recommended by our accountant and the review we had by Emporia State University (CISL) and we agree these changes have merit.

Lastly, as an organization we are open to any suggestions or ideas that you have to improve Keystone Learning. Please note that we are open to review any suggestions that would make Keystone stronger. Please email or send us your suggestions or ideas.

Have a great new semester!

Be ready to dance your socks off with your Keystone friends! HLC Dance to be scheduled in March. Look for Information to come soon!

For any technology questions

you may have please contact Dan Hinrichsen at daniel@keystonelearning.org or 785-550-7803.

Repairs to computers and printers should be directed to him.

Upcoming Leocompton Conference Room Calendar

Feb.

4th - PAT Meeting
7th - TinyK Meeting
9th - WebKIDSS
11th - KISN Workshop
21st - TinyK Meeting
25th - KAEESEA Call-in Mtg
28th - KAEESEA Meeting

March

4th - PAT Meeting
7th - TinyK Meeting
8th - KSDE State Board Meeting
10th - MTSS Early Childhood E
28th - TinyK Meeting



KISN Webinar Announcement

Webinars will be held on Tuesdays at 3:15-4:00 p.m.. There is room for 100 participants on a first come - first serve basis. Certificates will be provided to the "live audience". To register go to www.KansasASD.com training calendar.

Dates and Topics:

Jan. 25: Social Narratives (Stories)
Feb. 8: Social Narratives Powerpoint w/ voice
Feb 22: Video Modeling Introduction
March 8: Video Modeling - Editing Video
March 22: PECS - Intro., Reinforcer Assessment, Phase 1
April 12: PECS Phases 2-4
April 26: Behavior Mapping
May 10: Reinforcement Systems

Contact Katie Thomas w/questions at kthomas3@kumc.edu