

Winter 2016



Adult Basic Education (ABE) / English Language Learner (ELL) classes grew this fall at both sites. Our student contact hours **increased by 38%** in October compared to September.

We are working with Eastview High School NHS (National Honor Society) to offer a **Seniorology** program in the Eastview cafeteria on Saturday afternoons. Seniorology provides one-on-one technology assistance between high school students and older adults. [Learn more about the program by clicking here.](#)



We provide opportunities for District 196 staff to give back to the communities we serve. Community ed coordinates the districtwide **United Way** campaign, **raising over \$43,000** this year. Many employees supported our students directly by designating their pledges to District 196 Foundation, and over \$7,000 was designated to support **The Sheridan Story**, a weekend food program for our students in need. An additional \$4,000 was raised for the program by other fundraising efforts at many of our schools. To date, 13 of 32 district schools have a sponsor and are participating in The Sheridan Story, **servicing 480 students**. Sponsors include 16 churches, a service club, a foundation and a private organization.



Family School is full, serving 47 children and their parents at two sites. We have 84 children ages 5 months to 5 years on the waiting list.

A presentation about **college and career options** was given to our ABE students because of a **partnership with Goodwill/ Easter Seals** and a career navigator is now visiting DVLC each week to meet with students individually.

In January, we will be **rolling in the new year** with two new key logs in our pools! This exciting sport is rooted in the history of the logging era in the Midwest. Learning to stay atop the log improves balance, agility, concentration and core strength and is just plain fun.



This fall, we provided **afterschool programming at 12 elementary schools and have served over 900 students**. Many received scholarships from community ed to participate. Also a new **Girls on the Run** program, provided running fitness and self-esteem components, was piloted at four of our schools.



This fall, **263 children came to ECFE Playtimes with 243 parents**, averaging nine children and eight parents per drop-in session. In *Playtime* families play at our house with fun activities such as playdough, paints, sand, water, dress up, music and more led by an ECFE teacher. There is also time to meet and connect with other parents and their children.

Our **non school day learning activities were successful** with four of the five classes offered full to capacity! Students rode horse, explored fall science, created glow in the dark art and more.

more than 300 adults with disabilities attended a dance at Eagan Community Center to celebrate 25 years of Project Explore!

Connections Preschool is currently serving 327 four year olds and 87 three year olds for a total of **414 preschoolers**.

192 elementary students took part in a free, eight week STEM program by Club Invention with the help from a Nordson Foundation grant this fall.

The **coed Mountain Bike program**

coordinated collaboratively by the district high schools and community ed has

grown by 50% in four years, since its inception.

inspiring all ages