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Upcoming Events!

Mark your calendars because Energizing Education and George Long Elementary School has some very exciting events coming up!!

Energizing Education would like to invite you to attend its Mentor Appreciation Luncheon! The event is being held to show gratitude to the many mentors who have volunteered their time and energy to make our program great and impact the students at George Long Elementary School.

The Luncheon will be held at Grass Lake County Park on May 20th, and will go from 11:30am—1 pm.

Also, don't forget to attend Energizing Educations' May Family Night at George Long Elementary! The family night is on Wednesday, May 21st from 5:30—7:00 pm and it's a Luau Theme! Great food, fun and books!

Energizing Education

George Long Elementary School

Mentors make magic!

Jackson County schools will be wrapping up the school year soon, which means Energizing Education will be put on pause for the summer. The past several months have meant a lot of success for Energizing Education. The 2013-2014 saw Energizing Education expand to four total schools, with over twenty graduations from the program and the acquirement of over one hundred mentors.

By now, it's no secret that mentors are the key to our program's success. Energizing Education isn't the first to implement the idea however. In fact, the volunteer mentor-model has long been in use by another successful organization in Jackson County, Big Brothers Big Sisters.

Big Brothers Big Sisters is a non-profit organization which partners mentors, termed "Bigs", with children ("Littles") to form lasting friendships. Their mission is to help children reach their full potential through professionally supported one-to-one relationships with a measurable impact.

Executive Director Bruce Van Eyck takes pride in the work the organization does and is glad to see the impact Energizing Education has had utilizing similar relationships. "Big Brothers Big Sisters is about bringing magical moments to children in need. It's that magic that makes all the difference.", Van Eyck stated.

Energizing Education pursues the same magical moments with its mentor-student pairs, and our mentors have been ecstatic about their experiences with the program.



EE has been a Librarian's dream! A positive, book-loving atmosphere coupled with eager, appreciative students. It's a Win-Win.

- Vickie Browne

I have really enjoyed working with my student. I feel more energy in my day coming here!

- Connie Briggs



Name: Elizabeth Willis

Why did you volunteer? I enjoy reading and was excited to become a mentor. I was looking forward to spending time with a student to help and encourage them with their own reading.

How has your experience been so far? I am excited every Tuesday and Thursday to come to the school and read with my students. To see the improvement they have made over such a short time is very rewarding!

What was your favorite book growing up? The Box Car Children

What is your favorite book now? The Harry Potter Series



May Mentor Training Calendar

Date	Time	Type	Location
May 5	2:00-4:00 pm	EE Tutor	Frost Energizing Education Literacy Lounge
May 13	2:00-4:00 pm	EE Tutor	Frost Energizing Education Literacy Lounge
May 19	3:00-5:00 pm	EE Tutor	Frost Energizing Education Literacy Lounge
May 27	2:00-4:00 pm	EE Tutor	Frost Energizing Education Literacy Lounge

Contact Charlie at energizingeducationjackson@gmail.com to sign up

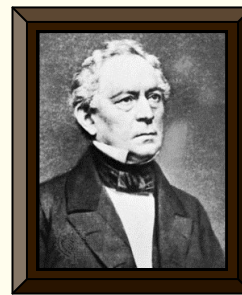
We moustache you another question! Did you have fun at our moustache-themed family night?!

Have a look at the photos below in case you missed it!!



Quote of the Month

“Education is a better safeguard of liberty than a standing army.”



Edward Everett

1794 - 1865

Look out for Energizing Education in MLIVE and the Citizen Patriot, as they will soon begin publishing a series of articles covering the Cradle to Career Network (C2C). The first article in the series will be highlighting Energizing Education, so be sure to check in your newspapers and online for the story!!



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