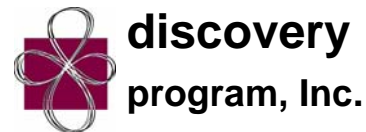


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Director's Note:

Discovery Program's staff is hard at work transitioning from the school year to summer time activities. We stay very busy in the summer working with students in fun summer programs and with staff for staff development. Summer is a great time for therapists to work with students to review new skills and strategies learned over the past year in a more relaxed environment! The additional training and professional development that staff receives over the summer is an important and much anticipated component of our desire to continue to strive for excellence in service provision. Particular staff development focus for this summer includes group training, literacy and math. Have a wonderful, relaxing summer and we look forward to seeing many of you in the fall. Thanks for a great year.

Chesapeake Office:

Last year at this time we were in the preparation phase for the Chesapeake office. Now we're looking forward to a busy summer with the addition of a third therapy station. There will be a full range of services offered including SEARCH and TEACH, Educational Therapy and Rx for Discovery Reading.

Peninsula and North Suffolk Offices:

We are celebrating a year of discoveries and achievements with our students! This could not have happened without the high commitment we have had from parents and families. We have had families who drove from Williamsburg to the Peninsula office twice a week during rush hour traffic, during heavy rain, and sometimes high winds. That is commitment. We want to thank each family and each student for your perseverance. You are to be commended! We have many new students who will join the student roster for the 2007-2008 year this summer. We welcome them!

Park Place School:

Park Place School is winding down another exciting school year, a year of challenge, growth and much success. Thursday June 7th, our last day of school, will be a day of mixed emotions as we celebrate a successful year, honor the volunteers who have made this year possible and bid a graduation farewell to the fifth grade students who have shared three wonderful years with us at Park Place. Though it is hard to see these students move on, we are eager to watch them enter middle school with the skills necessary for success!

Student Highlights:

Trent Doucette, a fifth grader at Providence Classical School won FIRST PLACE in a school wide essay contest.

Alex Hassan, also a fifth grader at Providence Classical School starred in the lead role of his school play.

Isaac Whalen, a former educational therapy student and son of DP therapist Susan Whalen was elected SCA President at Norfolk Christian School.

Katherine Robertson, a fifth grader at Norfolk Christian, was honored at an awards banquet for her horsemanship in walk, trot and beginner jumping.

T.Q. Hernandez, a fifth grader at Hermitage Elementary School in Virginia Beach received Honor Roll awards for his first and second grading periods this year.

Brian Corey, a fifth grader at Hampton Roads Country Day School, was awarded Head of School at his fifth grade graduation. He had the highest academic average for the year out of the entire fifth grade class!

Scott Madaras, a senior at Hampton Roads Academy, former therapy student and son of DP therapist Judy Madaras, has just completed a successful senior year in OUTSTANDING fashion! During Scott's graduation ceremony this past Saturday, he was honored more than once for outstanding athletic and academic achievements. He received the Senior Government Award, the Katherine W. Booth Award honoring "exceptional endeavor in the study of mathematics" and the AP Physics Award honoring the "most outstanding student in AP Physics." When his chemistry teacher presented Scott with the Physics Award, he fondly remembered how each morning Scott would make his way to school early and down the science hallway to share with his teachers a new scientific idea he had pondered the night before!

At the Navigator Awards ceremony, Scott received MVP for swimming AND received the 2007 Most Valuable Senior Male Athlete, an award given to the graduating senior who during his years at Hampton Roads Academy has made the greatest contribution to the athletic program. Discovery Program applauds your love for learning, perseverance and outstanding finish to your high school career, Scott!

*Discovery Program wishes each of you
a wonderful summer!*

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