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Welcome New Families

A warm welcome to our incoming Capstone families! Even though your participant won't officially join us until late August, we're including you on our monthly newsletter list a bit early so you can start getting familiar with the program. Each month, we send out a newsletter to share updates, highlight upcoming events, and give families a window into daily life at Capstone. Some of the details may not apply to you just yet, but we hope it helps you feel more connected as you prepare for the year ahead.If you have any questions as you begin getting oriented, don't hesitate to reach out to our staff—we're here to help!

Congratulations to Ms. Jordan!

Please join me in congratulating Jordan Morrison for her promotion to Capstone Program Manager, effective August 1st. Jordan is a strategic anchor within the Capstone team—bringing insight, calm leadership, and a passion for quality improvement. In her new role, she will lead program operations, cross-functional alignment, and data-informed improvements across Capstone and VR services. This promotion reflects both Jordan's exceptional contributions and our ongoing evolution as a program.

To ensure a seamless transition and continued participant support, we are also introducing a new role: Capstone Support Specialist. This position will take over Jordan's current responsibilities for weekly 1:1 goal-setting meetings, participant mentorship, and structured support across classrooms and community activities. The Support Specialist will work closely with Jordan and the broader team to help every participant stay on track and move toward their individualized goals.



Please join us in congratulating Jordan and welcoming this next chapter for Capstone!

Capstone Handbook- What's Changed

We've overhauled the Capstone Handbook for 2025–26 to make it clearer, more useful, and easier to navigate. This year's edition includes updated guidance on behavior expectations, safety in the community, participant support, communication, and who to contact for what. We've also streamlined policies and added a new Quick Reference Guide for easy access to the info you need most.

Whether you're new to Capstone or returning, we encourage all families to review this <u>year's</u> <u>handbook</u>—it's designed to help you feel confident, informed, and connected from day one.

Summer Community Week

A reminder (as you'll no doubt see on the calendar) that our Summer Community Week is June 23rd-27th. Outside of the overnight trips, there will be no additional programming during Community Week (June 23–27) or in the week that follows. If you have questions about the overnight trips, you're welcome to reach out directly to Mr. Nick and Mr. Joey! We're looking forward to it!

With Sincere Appreciation Michael Faeth Director of Adult Education



June²⁰²⁵

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Moving Day/ New Hope YMCA				Snake Discovery/ Minnesota Museums of American Art
2	3	4	5	6
PRISM/ DoubleTree Hotel		Find Love Safely- Guest Speaker		How to Train Your Dragon/ Cambodian Buddhist
9	10	11	12	13 Temple
New Hope YMCA			Juneteenth- No programming	Nickelodeon Universe/ Sibley Historic
16	17	18	19	20 Site
	Summer Overi	night Trips- No Pr	ogramming	
23	24	25	26	27
New Hope YMCA				
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