

Academy of Whole Learning

Adult Education

Hello Voyageur parents!

Motivation

We have been working on units on motivation in Self-Determination and writing professional emails and memos in Employment Skills. We will be further practicing our email correspondence beginning in February with employees from Jamf Software.

To that end, I recently tasked the ADE students with the responsibility of writing a motivational memo to their disgruntled and discouraged "employees." I hope that the ADE students themselves are not disgruntled and discouraged, but I provided an example of what that looks like to them. Size constraints prevent me from including the letter, but I will encourage them to share. Needless to say, I'm very proud of what the students have accomplished this year in spite of some very real challenges and obstacles. The students also wrote some excellent motivational emails and I told one of them that I hoped to work for him one day!

<u>Meetings</u>

Please make note of the following three dates:

Annual Parent Meeting-- February 25th Adult Education Conferences-- March 11th and 12th Adult Education Information Session/ Q&A-- March 23rd @ 7pm

The Annual Parent Meeting is an informational meeting about the entire AOWL organization. Conferences



are discussions with your children to discuss goals and progress since we last met in the fall, and the Adult Ed. information session is a chance to discuss changes and plans for next year. There is much to share, so I highly encourage you to attend all three. Please let me know times that will work for you for conferences. I can be available from 8am-8pm on either day. Student participation is highly encouraged! All meetings will be virtual.

Voyageurs Vocab

One way our unique group has come together is through through a shared language that we call our "Voyageurs Vocab". The students copy the terms/definitions in their own books, and we will often reference these terms/concepts in relation to mindsets, employment, and individual responsibility and living. The list is long and running, and I hope will be a reference point for years to come. More on these topics later, but for now please reference our running list here.

With sincere appreciation, Michael Faeth Adult Program Coordinator

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Sholom	Fitness Center	Fitness Center	Hance Hardware	No School
1	2	3	4	5
Sholom	Fitness Center	Fitness Center	Laundromat	No School
8	9	10	11	12
No School	No School	No School	No School	No School
15	16	17	18	19
Sholom	Fitness Center	Fitness Center	Minneapolis Institute of Arts	No School
22	23	24	25	26

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Please note: This calendar is subject to change.

Students will typically have an option to purchase food or other items on all communitybased trips