

Minnesota's Best

As some of you may have seen, Franklin Capstone won the Silver this year in the Star Tribune's Minnesota's Best category! Cooks of Crocus Hill is vanquished! Thank you all for your ongoing support. We're coming for you, gold medal!

Welcome Jordan

We are excited to welcome Jordan Morrison to our growing Capstone team! Jordan is joining us as our Employment Support Specialist working with both our volunteering participants and our growing network of VR clients both within Franklin and beyond. Jordan received her BS in Psychology from the University of Minnesota and her Masters of Social Work from the University of Denver. Prior to Franklin, Jordan was a mental health practitioner at a comparable program. She has been spending the last two months hard at work with many of our participants. We're excited to have her!

Welcome Ms. Amy to the classroom!

While our long-term plan is to have Amy and Jordan providing VR services and vocational support for Capstone simultaneously, in the meantime Jordan will be taking over Amy's caseload as Amy prepares to fill in for Kelsey's maternity leave beginning in mid-October. We are delighted (and relieved) that Amy was eager to step into Kelsey's role, given both her understanding of our participants, as well as her wealth of experience and myriad of roles here at Franklin. For families with Kelsey as their case manager, you will have the opportunity to meet with Amy at conferences.

Fall Conferences

As you sign up for conferences, please note which case manager you are assigned to. Each case manager will have one evening of availability and Thursday from 9:00am-4:00pm. If you are unable to make these times, please let us know



and we will find a different day/time to meet. This year, we will be encouraging families to come with 'Family goals' for the year, and we will be spending conferences discussing how we can work together to accomplish them. If you would like to invite additional support members to conferences (social workers, VR, plan managers, etc), please let us know well in advance. Conferences are not mandatory, but encouraged. Who attends is entirely at the families' discretion, but participants are integral to the discussion.

Student Spotlight

Name: Adam Letourneau

Hometown: Coon Rapids and Maple Grove

What would people be surprised to know about you: All of my skills and talents

What is something you are passionate about: Swimming

What has been your greatest challenge: Trying new things

What is your favorite thing about Capstone: Being with my friends

With Sincere Appreciation,
Michael Faeth
Director of Adult Education

October

2023

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2	Williston Fitness Center	4	Williston Fitness Center	Luce Line Orchard/ Phalen Park Friendship Garden
PRISM/ DoubleTree Hotel	Williston Fitness Center	11	Williston Fitness Center	Top Golf/ Pumpkin Patch
16	Williston Fitness Center	18	No Programming	Pumpkin Express/ Sever's Fall Festival
Evening Conferences				
PRISM/ DoubleTree Hotel	Williston Fitness Center	25	No Programming: Day Conferences	Costume Party/ Minnesota's Largest Candy Store
30	31			

Please note: This calendar is subject to change.

*Lunch included: Students will typically have an option to purchase food or other items on community-based trips.

