



## FAMILY LITERACY NIGHT

# Exploration Academy Newsletter

A huge thank you to the families that came and participated in our family literacy game night!

Thank you also to our community partners, we couldn't have put this event on without you!  
Graceland University Education Department - for bringing education students & playing literacy games with us  
Community Health Centers of Southern Iowa - for providing free Walking tacos  
Lamoni Optimist Club - for partnering with Exploration Academy to put FREE Usborne books in each child's hands.



## ACTIVITIES WE DID IN APRIL

April was busy month. We continued to wait and wait for good weather!!! We were happy when it finally arrived.

We had several visitors this month. We had 2 visits from Decatur County Conservation and a visit from Dr. Jesse Bolinger with AmeriCorps VISTA. Dr. Bolinger talked to the students about careers. Students will enjoy visits from 3 professions next month. We look forward to those visits.

Exploration Academy students continue to enjoy Friday Clubs. We will change them up again in May. They have enjoyed Dance, Science, Computer, and Chess Clubs.

Exploration Academy and Graceland University Education Department partnered for a Family Game themed Literacy Night. Families enjoyed walking tacos and played games to win tickets. Tickets were turned in for an Usborne book of their choice. Meal was sponsored by Community Health Centers of Southern Iowa.

## SUMMER PLANS?

The 21st Century Grant includes a summer program! The program will run in June & a few weeks in July. Be on the look out in the next few weeks for more information regarding our summer program - dates, hours, activities and other important info!







## LOOKING AHEAD TO MAY

May 7 & 14: We will have several professionals visit us to talk about their careers!

May 8-10 Iowa History Days with Tom Morain  
Graceland's Sustainability Team & Jen Abraham-White will be planning a fun day with us learning about bees & getting our hands dirty planting in raised bed gardens  
Shannon Erb from Decatur County Development Corporation is coming to visit with us

Several Decatur County Conservation Visits

May 25th: Last Day of School & Last Day of Exploration Academy

Wednesdays: Library Days!

Fridays: Club Days!

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**REGISTER YOUR CHILD FOR MAY:  
PLEASE NOTE MORNING  
REGISTRATION NOW REQUIRED**



Due to the large number of students in attendance, registration is now required for morning Exploration Academy attendance. Students will not be able to attend if they are not registered. Please find the link on the school website under the Exploration Academy tab or at the following web address:

<https://goo.gl/forms/yLW5VzhW4kN5nVku2>

To register your child for after school for May, please fill the form out on the school website or at the following web address:

<https://goo.gl/forms/vvIXXuAfxhLfBMox2>

