

THE VALLEY VOICE Year End Review

GENERAL INFORMATION

Four students participated in the Middle School program. One student is returning to his home school and three will be transitioning to the Essex Valley High School Program.

Extended School Year

This program provides academic remediation while reinforcing appropriate social skills development. Seventeen students are currently enrolled in the program. Applications for both programs are currently being accepted.

Transition Program

Essex Valley School has developed a working partnership with Hyatt Regency in Morristown. Three students have been employed at the Hotel during the past year.

Career Development:

This course provided students with a basic overview in obtaining employment. The students created resumes, role played interviews and learned the importance of dressing appropriately for job interviews.

SMOKING CESSATION

Based on a program designed by the American Lung Association, students attended a group learning experience on the dangers and hazards of tobacco. The students were able to evaluate their tobacco use and explore options that would lead them to a healthier life style.

GRADUATING CLASS

Graduates of the Class of 2008 will be attending the following schools:

New School for Social Research
Paine College
Morris Brown College
Berkley College
County College of Morris
Essex County Community College
Lincoln Tech

Applications for the 2008-2009 upcoming school year are currently being accepted.

COUNSELING

A group for girls has been recently established. The goal of the group is to positively impact the lives of teenage girls, to empower them to overcome barriers and reach their highest potential. Topics include health and fitness, self esteem, self confidence, dating and relationships, life skills, social skills, education and career options.

COSMETOLOGY

The Cosmetology program is a great opportunity for students to explore this field as a career option. Manicuring and nail art has been used as a preview of the industry. Students enjoy the casual atmosphere of the program which also provides a great opportunity to interact with classmates and improve social skills.

ART PROGRAM

The art program at Essex Valley School is not your average art class. It is an ever changing creative environment that embodies the EVS students' creative and emotional needs. Students learn to appreciate art thru self expression in various artistic mediums.

Cooking Class

The cooking class is an innovative addition to the Essex Valley curriculum. This course teaches students how to prepare a comprehensive menu with dishes that complement each other both in flavor and style. The students learn presentation and garnishing, which enhances prepared dishes and lends confidence in the overall culinary experience. Students are exposed to various cuisines from around the world, making them more knowledgeable about the art of cooking.

Basketball Team

As a member of the NJCAA conference, the basketball team competes each week for a chance of going to the playoffs. Each student at EVS has an opportunity to play for the team and those students who make the commitment, find it fun and rewarding. The season was successful making the playoffs and finishing with a record of 7-7.



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Mission:

To provide a fully departmentalized secondary school academic program and intensive counseling services for students with emotional difficulties who are better served in a nurturing environment.

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