

# Summer 2018 NEWSLETTER

REACH is a program of Educational Service District 112

In collaboration with the Lyle School District

### **SUMMER ACTIVITIES**

This summer was full of so many fun activities! Students spent three days learning about pottery with artist Pam Springer from Arts in Education of the Gorge (AIEG). We created our own treasure boxes out of clay; then we painted and fired them in our kiln. Making beads with artist Stephanie Delgado from AIEG and accordion books with artist Amy Jarvis from AIEG were super exiting crafts to learn!

Several partners from Fort Vancouver Regional Library (FVRL) performed amazing performances! Acts included: a comedy show, a dancing saxophone solo, a juggling & stunt show, an electric cello performance that sounded like a whole orchestra! We also had a workshop where students got to learn en taiko, which is traditional Japanese drumming. We enjoyed all of the shows!

We also spent a lot of time outdoors with partner Cascadia Adventure Education School. We went to Trout Lake, WA and participated in the Big Foot Survival Camp and a Multi-Sports day where students went kayaking, stand-up paddle boarding, and saw a kite-surfing demonstration. It was awesome!

## FEATURED FIELD TRIPS

We took a field trip to the nearby Bonneville Dam and learned about hydroelectric power and the salmon life cycle. We ate fresh grilled salmon for lunch cooked by one of our Native American partners, Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission (CRITFC). Members from four different Native American tribes taught us about traditional and modern fishing in the Columbia River. We also visited The Discovery Center in The Dalles, OR and learned everything from geology to our rich history beginning from the Ice Age all the way up to the Oregon Trail era. We discovered so much about where we live!





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# COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

We visited Azure Farms, an organic farm in Dufur, OR with partner Debi Budnick from Skyline Hospital. We toured greenhouses, the flour mill and the warehouses where all the processing and packaging is done. Students picked gallons of fresh strawberries and learned a lot about organic farming. Debi came on a different day and taught us how to cook with some of the delicious, fresh ingredients we learned about at the farm.





### **GRAZIELA FULLER (5TH GRADE)**

What is your favorite thing about REACH?

"I love all of the things we get to do. There are a variety of things I got to do here that I've never done before."

What is something fun you did at REACH recently?

"I enjoyed the field trip to Azure Farms. I liked seeing the animals and picking strawberries. I liked seeing the plants in the greenhouse that usually don't grow around here, such as the big banana tree they had."

What have you learned recently?

"I learned a lot about pottery because that was the first time I ever did it. I learned new vocabulary words related to pottery."



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