

# Higher Visions For Education



## Citizenship & Community Participation

Quarter Four 2016

### Week 6 Summary

Preparations are under way for our 2016 HVE gift exchange! This week, we filled out interest/preference sheets, and then picked our secret Santa assignments. Students should use the preference sheet as a guideline to buy a \$10-\$15 gift, and bring their present wrapped (and marked with the recipient's name) to the final potlucks on 12/14 and 12/15. Sally and Scott do have a list of assignments in case a student needs a reminder.

Next week, we have guest artist Kaitlyn Tucek visiting to help us create handmade cards and picture frames. Students should wear clothing that they don't mind getting messy.

The winter weather caused us to postpone last week's Thursday class visit to the food bank. It will now take place this **Saturday December 3, 4pm-5:30pm**. We will meet at 4pm at the Open Arms Food Bank to drop off our food donations and tour the food bank, and then go as a group for an early dinner at M.C. Brooklyn Pizzeria. All students (even Wednesday students!) are welcome to attend. Please *email Sally* at [Sallym@rmdsa.org](mailto:Sallym@rmdsa.org) if your student would like to participate in this outing. If you are unable to make this event, Thursday students may bring their food donations to class next week 12/8.

The Food Bank (4:00pm drop off) is located in the back of the Church for All Nations in Littleton (6500 W Coal Mine Ave, Littleton, CO 80123) and dinner/pick up (5:30pm pick up) will be at M.C. Brooklyn Pizzeria (8086 W Bowles Ave, Littleton, CO 80123). It is easiest to go to the right when driving back behind the church. There is a "food bank" sign and an industrial door, but you should also see us and our cars :) We will transport students from the food bank to the restaurant. And the pizza is on us!

Save the date for our holiday gift exchange potlucks planned for Wed. 12/14 and 12/15.

We will have our regular January winter recess and will resume with Quarter 1 of 2017 on Feb. 3 and 4.

### Info Session/Workshop Opportunity

Do you know a young adult with ID who may be interested in starting their own business? A local non-profit, Celebrate EDU, is inviting RMDSA families to sign up for their student workshop and parent/caregiver info session this weekend focused on entrepreneurialism for young adults with disabilities. Please click [here](#) and [here](#) for more info, and to register visit:

Kindling Workshop: <http://bit.ly/kindlingDEN>

Information Session: <http://bit.ly/CEinDEN>