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# Afterschool Enrichment Newsletter

## Explorer Elementary

### From the Lead Teacher:

March was a busy month, filled with parties, rainy days, testing & building bridges, sharing about our days, beautiful butterflies & other activities. With April around the corner many of us are looking forward to nicer weather. The staff at Explorer are excited to bring in new activities such as jump rope games, nature walks, spring art, etc. Of course we are all excited with Spring approaching that means summer is right around the corner. The Staff are very excited about the summer program especially the summer camp happening at our site Explorer. Make sure to grab a Summer brochure. Stay safe, dry & have a good month.

### Director News:

Happy April to everyone!

My name is Becky Janssen and I am the new School Age Programs Coordinator for YES. I am very excited to be working with the Youth Enrichment Services program. I have been in South Dakota for 5 years now, since my move from the Chicagoland area. The people of Sioux Falls have impressed me so much that I have adopted the community as my own, and have developed a tremendous passion for the youth within the Sioux Empire. In one way or another, I have been working with the children of Sioux Falls since arriving, whether in the soccer community, at summer camps, substitute teaching, or when volunteering at the Multi Cultural Center. I hope to bring an energy and dedication to children that truly makes YES the premier afterschool program in the area. With my experience with children, an undergraduate degree in education and Masters in Administration, I want to help continue growing the Afterschool Enrichment Program / Summer Enrichment so that kids are counting the hours until school ends each day and year!

Be sure to say "Hi" and introduce yourself if you see me around at the various sites—I'll be the one in the thick of things playing games with the kids laughing my head off with a huge smile on my face!

Becky :)

**April  
2010**

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### Early Release

Thurs. April 1,  
Wed. April 28, ASE  
will be at all sites  
from dismissal to 6  
pm.

### Extended Hours

Care is available  
at the YES  
Eastside Learning  
Center on  
the following dates:

**April 2nd & 5th**

Please call  
339-2095 by 6pm  
March 29th  
to register  
your child for  
Extended hours.

### Summer 2010

Summer is just around the corner and all of us here at Y.E.S. are super excited about all the amazing things that are happening. You have probably seen us handing out fliers, singing camp songs or just getting kids excited about summer. Our desire is to provide a safe quality program that whether you come for one week or all of them your camper is having an experience to last a lifetime. Each week we will have swim days, special event days and we are going to have an amazing time. Please keep reading and looking for information as we Voyage toward Discovery.