

ALTA VISTA ELEMENTARY

EAGLE ACADEMY



Free Academic & Enrichment Summer Program

All Alta Vista Students Entering Kindergarten,
Grade 1 and Grade 2

June 16–August 1, 2014

Monday–Thursday 8:30–1:30

Eagle STEAM Extended Day

Monday–Thursday 1:30–6:00 and Fridays 8:30–6:00

OUR MISSION



PARENT TESTIMONIALS

"I liked how excited my son was to go to school every day. He didn't want to leave to come home."

"I'm no longer anxious about her first day of school. I felt comfortable about where my child was and what she was doing."

"Because it was free, it enabled me to attend school to further my education, to secure a better job."

"My children gained confidence in themselves."

"I liked that each day had an agenda so I knew exactly what my child was learning."

"I love the passion of my child's teachers."

To provide all children with a **STRONG** foundation to **ACHIEVE** educational **SUCCESS**

PROGRAM GOALS

- To provide an integrated day of learning that ensures all students excel in reaching high academic expectations.
- To provide research-based instruction that increases proficiency in English Language Arts and Math skills.
- To identify the strengths and learning needs of individual students in order to differentiate instruction.
- To engage parents/guardians in their child's education through learning, participation, and building positive relationships.
- To create two-generation programs for parents and their children to provide opportunities for educational success and career and vocational training.

DEVELOPING LIFELONG LEARNERS

Students that attend the Eagle Academy are better prepared academically for the next grade level and do not experience summer learning loss.

THE EAGLE ACADEMY



The Eagle Academy is a **FREE** summer academic and enrichment program for students at Alta Vista Elementary. Students will attend the Eagle Academy Monday – Thursday 8:30 - 1:30 for seven weeks. **FREE** morning bus transportation and breakfast and lunch will be provided for all students. The **Eagle STEAM Program** will offer free extended day enrichment activities Monday - Thursday afternoons 1:30 - 6:00 and Fridays 8:30 - 6:00. In addition, the **Parent University** will focus on strengthening parenting skills, promoting successful student achievement through parent involvement, and adult education courses.

The Eagle Academy is committed to excellence in providing high quality learning experiences in meeting the diverse needs of children and promoting a positive attitude towards lifelong learning. The emotional, social, and physical development of children is an integral part of the program.

By attending the Eagle Academy, children will enter their next grade ready to learn and succeed. Students will continue their educational journey to increase academic achievement and prevent loss of learning during the summer.



CURRICULUM & LEARNING ACTIVITIES

- Language Arts:
 - Reading
 - Writing
 - Listening / Speaking
 - Language
- Math
- Science
- Technology
- Engineering
- Art
- Music
- Exploration and Investigation
- Inquiry Based Hands-On Experiences
- Social and Emotional Skills
- School Routines and Expectations

**ATTENDING THE EAGLE ACADEMY
GIVES CHILDREN A FOUNDATION FOR
LIFETIME SUCCESS.**

ACADEMY FEATURES

PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY & REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

To attend the Eagle Academy, students must be registered at Alta Vista.

Florida Registration Requirements:

1. Written proof of address (signed lease or recent utility bill) that includes YOUR name and address
2. Certified copy of Birth Certificate
3. Proof of up-to-date immunizations on HRS Form 680
4. School physical examination within previous 12 months, dated and signed by a physician, on HRS form
5. Proof of custody if parent is separated, divorced, or if other custodial situation exists

Please provide the following information, if available:

- Name, address, and phone number of previous school
- Testing and exceptional student education information

FREE ACADEMIC, ENRICHMENT & RECREATIONAL PROGRAM



LEARNING CURRICULUM AND ACTIVITIES

The curriculum will prepare children for their upcoming grade level in the areas of reading, language development, mathematics, the arts, and social and emotional skills. Activities will be based on grade level standards and individual learning needs.

EAGLE ACADEMY STAFF

The teachers and staff are experienced and dedicated professionals who are committed to providing a high quality educational experience. Bilingual staff is available for effective communication with our families.

PARENT CONFERENCES/PRE AND POST ASSESSMENTS

All students will be given a pre and post assessment to measure their academic growth in reading and math during the seven week program. Teachers will meet with parents/guardians to discuss the results of these assessments and provide strategies for working with their children at home. Students identified with special needs will be provided academic and/or behavior interventions and referred for additional assessments and interventions during the school year.

EAGLE STEAM (EXTENDED DAY ENRICHMENT PROGRAM)

The Eagle STEAM Program will offer free extended day enrichment activities at Alta Vista Monday - Thursday afternoons 1:30-6:00 and Fridays 8:30-6:00. This program will provide enrichment activities that focus on Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Music.

SCHOOL RESOURCES



ALTA VISTA FOOD PANTRY

Our goal is to ensure that our families have access to nutritional foods on a weekly basis. A food pantry, located inside the school cafeteria, will be available at the close of every Parent University session. We are grateful to the Rotary Club of Sarasota, All Faiths Food Bank and our community agencies for their support in helping ensure our students' well-being. They truly care about children and families.

TWO GENERATIONS ... ONE FUTURE

Through our alliance with the Community Foundation of Sarasota County and Ascend at the Aspen Institute, Two Generations...One Future focuses on educational programs that address the needs of both parent and child. Specially designed programs help family members acquire the skills necessary to increase employment opportunities.

PARENT UNIVERSITY

The Parent University provides classes that promote successful student achievement through parent involvement and focus on strengthening life and parenting skills while fostering career and vocational training.

EAGLE ACADEMY SOCIAL WORKER

The Social Worker is a liaison between home and school who provides social and emotional support and offers assistance with family needs. In order to support student success, home visits and parent conferences are scheduled to address academic achievement and school attendance.

DID YOU KNOW?

High-quality education programs result in:

- Stronger reading, writing, and mathematical abilities
- Increased higher-order thinking and attention skills
- Improved social skills
- Reduced behavioral problems
- Decreased grade retention
- Higher graduation rates
- Students better prepared for college and the workplace

Source: Center for the Child Care Workforce, www.ccw.org

ALTA VISTA EAGLES SOAR

- Alta Vista School Grade "A"
- Florida DOE Five Star School Award for Exemplary Community and Business Partners Programs
- PALS Partners in Education Golden School Award
- PALS Partners in Education School Board of Sarasota County: Innovative Special Project Award - Eagle Academy
- Florida Model Positive Behavior Support School Gold Award
- Positive Change Award: The Eagles' Nest Volunteer Center
- PTA Parent Involvement Award

PARENT UNIVERSITY



PARENT UNIVERSITY WORKSHOPS

- Reading, Math and Writing Strategies for Parents
- Tips for School Success: Routines, Procedures and Expectations
- Parenting Skills
- Technology for Parents
- English as a Second Language Classes
- Family Health and Wellness
- Community Resources and Programs
- Behavior Management
- Social and Emotional Child Development
- Adult Career Preparedness
- Financial Awareness

Research has shown that parents can increase a child's academic success through their involvement with schools and communities. The most successful students are those whose parents are involved in their education. These students tend to earn better grades, score higher on standardized tests, have better attendance records and show a more positive attitude toward school. Effective involvement happens when parents have access to information and resources that encourage children to succeed.

The Parent University provides workshops that focus on strengthening parenting skills, enhancing knowledge in academic, social, and emotional development in children, promoting successful student achievement through parent involvement, and offering adult education courses.

Attendance at Parent University workshops is a mandatory component of the Eagle Academy. Parents or guardians sign an agreement contract to attend weekly educational workshops in order for their child to be enrolled in the Eagle Academy. During these seven one-hour workshops, childcare and a light dinner will be provided, along with drawings for gift cards, educational materials, and school uniforms.

PARENT TESTIMONIALS

"Our skills were enhanced by the sessions with caring and knowledgeable instructors in the Parent University."

"All families participating receive an opportunity to enjoy weekly learning sessions geared toward helping parents."

"It is no wonder Alta Vista is an "A" school."

TWO GENERATIONS .. ONE FUTURE



Alta Vista and the Community Foundation of Sarasota County have been inspired by Ascend at the Aspen Institute. We believe children and their parents can achieve their dreams together. Our two-generation approach focuses on creating opportunities and addressing needs of both parent and child.

In addition to the educational opportunity provided to our children during the Eagle Academy, parents will have a chance to learn new skills designed to increase employment opportunities. Specially designed programs are funded through generous donors at the Community Foundation of Sarasota County.

Our Two Generations...One Future programs are offered based on economic development indicators — skills connected to existing job opportunities in the Sarasota area. Some of the fastest growing careers in Florida are in the medical and hospitality fields. These professions, as well as additional training opportunities will be considered to help family members acquire the skills necessary for long-term, stable employment.

Parents interested in attending our continuing education programs should contact Alta Vista to learn more about our vocational opportunities. Candidates will need to fill out an application and participate in a personal interview before acceptance into the program. Enrolled parents must have children attending Alta Vista and they must adhere to the program requirements/regulations and Alta Vista expectations. Some of our course offerings will also be available during the school year.

Our Success Story... Alta Vista partnered with the Community Foundation of Sarasota County and the American Red Cross in providing 14 Alta Vista parents scholarships for a certified nursing assistant (CNA) training program conducted on our campus. The scholarship included books, uniforms, and the certification exam. At the end of seven weeks, a job fair and graduation ceremony was held at Alta Vista celebrating our parents' successful completion of the program. It was quite a celebration for our parent graduates and their families!

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