

DISCOVERY ZONE

General Description of 2008 Program

Delano Discovery Zone program offers six different, themed weeks of fun to students entering grades 1 – 4. Previously, this program targeted grades 1 – 6. Because our numbers are growing at the lower grade levels, we are planning to include students entering grades 5 and 6 with the Middle School Summer Trek program this summer instead. Students may register for any or all weeks depending on summer family plans. This flexible format meets the needs of most busy families.

The program runs Monday through Thursday from June 9 to July 24 from 9:00a.m. until noon at the Delano Elementary School (excluding June 30 – July 4 holiday week). The program also offers several field trips including new trips to the Children’s Museum for students entering grades 1 -2 and the Science Museum for students entering grades 3-4. Other trips planned are to a Twins game and the popular water park, Cascade Bay.

Listed below are the themes from our 2007 Discovery Zone. Staff will determine which themes they may want to repeat for 2008 with just new related activities and which themes need to be replaced with a completely new idea.

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| Week 1 | June 11 – 14 | Grossology |
| Week 2 | June 18 – 21 | Gale Woods Farm Week |
| Week 3 | June 25 – 28 | Island Adventures |
| | (no program July 2 – 5) | |
| Week 4 | July 9 – 12 | Let’s Get Dramatic |
| Week 5 | July 16 – 19 | Around the World |
| Week 6 | July 23 – 26 | Wet & Wild |

Discovery Zone staff for 2008 includes two District 879 teachers, Melissa Scott and Brianna Buck. We will be hiring one new teaching staff position for this summer as well as a couple teacher assistants which are typically older high school students at lower pay. We are fortunate to have returning staff this summer as well as welcoming new ideas from a new teacher.