



Residential Campus

March 8, 2019

NMSBVI / ALAMOGORDO

# PARENT NEWSLETTER

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## COMING EVENTS

- March 10 - Poetry Out Loud Competition (Santa Fe)
- March 25 – 29 - Spring Break
- April 11 - Prom – “Time after Time”
- May 24 - Graduation

## Low Vision Clinics

**It is never too early to register – Clinics fill up quickly!  
Assistive Technology help available at each clinic.**

**Contact Marjorie Rhodes 505-271-3069 or Angela Harris 575-437-3505 ext. 4431**



- March 19 - Rio Rancho
- March 27 - Albuquerque



## ELEMENTARY CLASS TIME



Ariella & Ivory with Education Assistant Erika Later doing classwork outside on the patio on a warm day.



Mandy and Jessica with Classroom Substitute Beverly Schmidt and Instructor Dana Lyons at the patio table.



Samantha, Beau and Ariella in class very intently doing their classwork.

## APH InSights

### Juried Art Competition and Exhibition for Artists Who Are Visually Impaired or Blind The 2019 APH InSights Art competition is now open.

Aph warmly invites artists who are blind or visually impaired to submit artwork for the 2019 APH InSights Art Competition and Exhibition. For 28 years, our renowned international contest has delighted the senses, provoked discussion, and allowed artists who have vision loss the opportunity to share their creative imagination with the world.

Artists may enter original artwork created in any medium, including (but not limited to) painting, drawing, printmaking, fiber, metal, and wood. This year's deadline for student and adult artists is March 29, 2019.

Winning artwork in nine categories and other selected pieces will be displayed at the APH InSights Art Exhibit during APH's 2019 Annual Meeting in Louisville, October 10-12, 2019. We look forward to your participation in our competition. For more information, please e-mail [insights@aph.org](mailto:insights@aph.org), or call Rob Guillen at 502-899-2242.

Deadline for art submissions: March 29, 2019, for adults and students.

## PROM

Thursday, April 11<sup>th</sup> is Prom. The theme for this year is, "Time after Time."  
Parents, please have your child begin the search for some awesome and fancy clothing, such as, super swanky dresses for the girls and collared shirts with a tie with super snazzy slacks for the guys.

## NMSBVI ASBESTOS MANAGEMENT PLAN

This notification serves to inform parents, teachers and staff that the NMSBVI recently conducted a mandatory three-year, re-inspection of the school's Asbestos Management Plan. A copy of the complete Asbestos Management Plan is available for review, during normal business hours, at the office of the Director of Institutional Support Services and the office of the Capital Projects Facilitator at the Alamogordo Campus. Thank you.

~ Margie Macias, Director of Institutional Support Services ~



Mark your calendars! NMSBVI registration for the Residential Campus in Alamogordo for the 2019 – 2020 school year will be:

Tuesday, July 30<sup>th</sup> from 8:15 am – 11:00 am at the Albuquerque ECP Campus (by appointment only)  
Thursday, August 1<sup>st</sup> from 8:00 am – 3:30 pm (no appointment needed) and  
Friday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> from 8:00 am – 12:00 pm (by appointment only).  
Registration is located in the Alamogordo Campus Jack Hall IEP room.



## NMSBVI PRESENTS **STEMFEST 2019** MARCH 8-10 NMSBVI ALAMOGORDO

Open to Twenty 6th-12th Grade Students  
with Visual Impairments

Get excited about Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) as we explore Creativity, Innovation, Collaboration & Teamwork through Hands-On Interactive Activities & Challenges!

The event will be held at the NMSBVI Alamogordo Campus. Friday, March 8: Optional Activities 6pm-8pm. Saturday, March 9: 8am-4pm with evening activities. Sunday, March 10: return home after breakfast. Food, lodging, & transportation will be provided as needed by NMSBVI. Students must pre-register by Feb. 8, 2019.

For more information, email [stem@nmsbvi.k12.nm.us](mailto:stem@nmsbvi.k12.nm.us)

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**2019 Innovation Fair at the New Mexico State Capital Building in Santa Fe, NM**  
**Students performed monologues, sang songs, played the keyboard and read essays about**  
**how NMSBVI has helped them.**



Ms. Greenwell, Pedro, Faebian, Mary, Carybeth, Savanna, Shawn and Ms. Bunch at the New Mexico State Capital Building.



Pedro plays the keyboard for the audience.



Faebian speaks to the audience.



# POETRY OUT LOUD AND NMSBVI



Mary will be competing,  
Please come and support her!

## SAVE THE DATE!

### New Mexico Poetry Out Loud ~ 14th Annual State Finals

Sunday, March 10 at 1:00pm, New Mexico Museum of Art – St. Francis Auditorium, Santa Fe

On Sunday, March 10, one of our students will be competing in the state level Poetry Out Loud competition in Santa Fe! We do not know which student yet, as we have not yet held our school level competition. However, please set aside the date to come support our student! For more information, please contact Donelle Bunch-Sydow at NMSBVI: email [DonelleBunch-Sydow@nmsbvi.k12.nm.us](mailto:DonelleBunch-Sydow@nmsbvi.k12.nm.us)



New Mexico  
Museum of Art



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"Hear the Echoes" illustration by Deco, Bernadette Freeman, image courtesy of NM State Printing Office.





# PROM

*Time After Time*

NMSBVI • APRIL 11 • 2019

6:00PM-10:00PM • RECREATION CENTER  
NEW MEXICO SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND & VISUALLY IMPAIRED  
ALAMOGORDO CAMPUS



# NMSBVI HAPPENINGS!



Alex, Mickayla and Arianna prepare to begin the Braille Challenge competition as they listen to instructions.



Carla uses a ramp to bowl with her Instructor Jennifer Lara.



Dahlia finds a toy during a scavenger hunt.



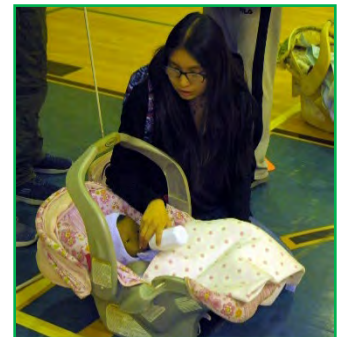
Mary tends to her simulator baby in the gym.



Hands shaping clay.



Ta'jai uses a ramp to bowl.



Nadine tends to her simulator baby while in the gym.



Nadine does her classwork as Life Skills Assistant Julie Guthart holds Nadine's simulator baby.



Dahlia's family members participate in a seminar during Braille Challenge.



Mary & Omar mold clay into shapes.



Shawn, Nadine, Andres & Feliz receive certificates.



Group photo of the Braille Challenge participants.

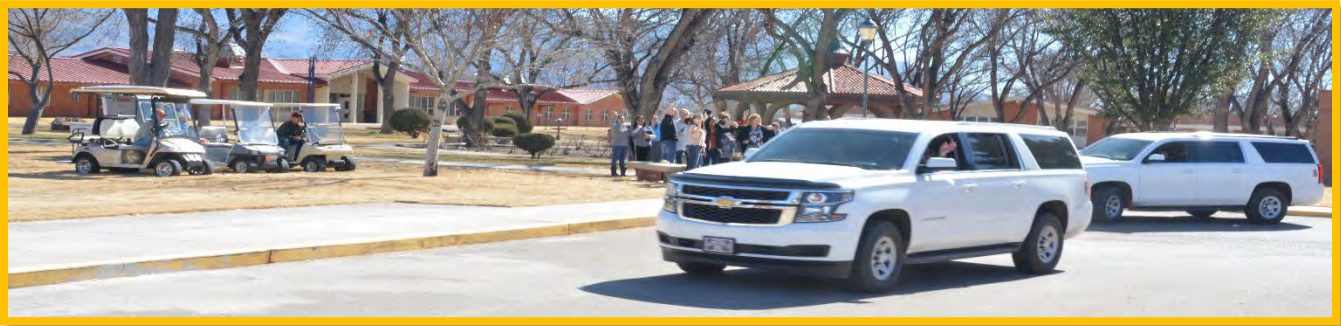


Group photo of the Enrichment participants.





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