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# GrandAM May Newsletter

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## May Flowers

Moab didn't receive too many showers in April, but if you get out to hike around Moab, you'll notice that May flowers are blooming nonetheless. Everywhere they are a reminder that spring is about growth and renewal. In keeping with the spirit of this wonderful season, mentors and mentees met on April 22 to celebrate beautiful weather, our wonderful abilities to run and play, and the camaraderie of cooperative effort.



Learning for Life, GrandAM partner, represented by Belinda Stockton and a colleague, facilitated activities including name games, elbow tag, relay races, blindfolded activities, and colorful parachute movements.



Everyone ran like mad, hopped through hoops, tossed Frisbees, pelted each other with yarn balls, got pulled under the parachute by hungry alligators, and twirled hoola-hoops around our waists.

Tune in for more activities in September!



## END OF YEAR BASH: WE WANT TO SEE YOU THERE!

**May 11** will bring mentors, mentees, parents, and staff together for an end-of-year activity. This will include food, fun, and recognition of everyone's hard work and dedication.

Location: Grand Center (500 West)

Time: 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Cost: FREE



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### *Moving Forward Together*



We're on the Web!

See us at:

[www.grand.k12.ut.us/mentor](http://www.grand.k12.ut.us/mentor)

Idea of the Month:

Bring in a magazine that your mentee will enjoy. Ask what kind of magazine they like, what topics interest them. Read articles together and maybe even write a letter to the editor together about one of the articles.



**What will be happening with mentoring over the summer?**

GrandAM will organize a gathering each month (June & July) for all mentors and mentees to see each other and have some fun. These gatherings will be posted on the website, and you will receive a mailing or phone call a week ahead of each date.

**Mentors: What you're doing is important. You make the difference.**

Mentoring has proven to make success more likely for our children. Your example, your very presence and attitude, is showing one young person how responsible people think, act, and solve problems. Enjoy your time together, be yourself, and know that YOU are the difference for one student.

**Check us out on the web!**

**<http://www.grand.k12.ut.us/mentor>**

## Closing

Mentors and mentees, remember that we will have one final newsletter coming out before summer. In that newsletter (and on our website) you will find out what our specific plans are for the summer. Be sure to check in with us about what we'll be doing.

I hope you're having a wonderful spring!

Dan

