



Career Trial Event

## Areas of Learning

- **Employment**
- **Independent Living**
- **Community Participation**
- **Post Secondary**
- **Recreation and Leisure**



NEW FRONTIERS  
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### Staff Introduction

Chris Brown: Work Based Learning

- ❖ Bachelors of Science: Applied Behavior Analysis & Business management
- ❖ Masters of Special Education (2020)

Lorie Duevel: Daily Living Skills

- ❖ Bachelor of Science: Special Education
- ❖ Masters of Science: Education Leadership

Wendy Goltz: MS, CCC-SLP

- ❖ Speech and Language Pathologist

Emily Johannes: MSW, LICSW

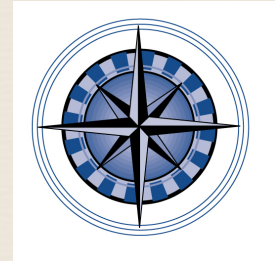
- ❖ School Social Worker
- ❖ Human Relations class

Cynthia Pedersen: Program Supervisor

- ❖ Bachelor of Science: Special Education
- ❖ Masters of Special Education
- ❖ Director of Special Education

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# BENTON-STEARN'S NEW FRONTIERS



Benton-Stearns

Education District 6383

New Frontiers is a special education program for young adults with mild to moderate disabilities that have unmet needs in the area of transitioning to adulthood.

The focus of programming is to develop the skills necessary to increase independence for students.



### Independent Living

We strive to increase independence through a variety of experiences. Typical lessons may include cooking on a

budget, or planning for an event. Students are taught skills that can transfer onto a job such as safe food handling and storage, nutrition, healthy living, along with safety in the kitchen.



### Rec and Leisure

Students have the opportunity to develop relationships through recreation / leisure activities and on the job skill practice.

# MISSION

Our mission is to prepare students for independence as adults through functional living instruction, community participation, and service learning. Participatory learning through specialized classroom instruction and practical application for skills within the community.

We strive for experiences that promote confident, independent adults.



### COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION:

Our community participation includes activities that reinforce citizenship, services and healthy recreation choices. New Frontier students join with students from other programs in the area for events and have opportunities for leisure and recreational activities. Students spend time orienting to services in the community that will be useful as independent adults.



Working at Habitat for Humanity Fall 2018



Working the table at the Taste of Transition fair

### WORK CREW AND SERVICE LEARNING:

Students prepare for work responsibilities through on the job training. Students learn skills by participating with an onsite work crew and through service learning in the community. Students practice team work, quality expectations, and take their turn organizing and directing others by being the crew leader.



On the job, learning responsibility at Voyagers



Service Learning at the Salvation Army

### POST SECONDARY PLANNING:

New Frontiers offers exploration of opportunities after high school. Students may tour colleges or programs, participate in career fairs, and technical job activity events on the St. Cloud Technical College campus. Students develop connections with community organizations such as DEED for job skill assessments and trial work experiences.



Out and about in the community for a college visit



On the job experience, placement through DEED