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Vista Student Wins Utah VEX IQ Award by Kimberley Dawson

VEX IQ is a team collaboration where students are introduced to the fundamentals of science, technology, math, and engineering through robotics. VEX students use their problem-solving skills to design, create and operate a robot that can master various challenges. "Activities involving robotics necessitate that students collaborate, think computationally, troubleshoot, and innovate – all fundamental skills for 21st-century learners, and eventually, 21st-century professionals." <https://www.vexrobotics.com>

In the 2022-2023 school year, Vista School has been privileged to send our VRC and VEX IQ teams to the VEX Robotics World Championship event in Dallas. Our older teams placed in the middle, while the younger VEX IQ team, Vista Vikings, took 4th place in their division.

Sedona Sachatello, member of the Vista Vikings, was also recently awarded the Utah VEX IQ Student of the Year Award. Sedona served as a team strategist, researcher, and note booker. She also played an organizational role, keeping the competition schedule and parts bin up to date. All team members worked on coding and the building of their robot, Jonathanian 2.0.

"Being involved with robotics has taught me to problem solve and be resilient. It doesn't matter if you win or lose because you get to compete, and meet people, and have great experiences. I have learned time management, teamwork, coding and engineering – skills I will use my whole life," said Sedona.

When asked about her goals, Sedona stated, "To be as helpful as possible, ask what I can do to be productive, and stay focused or don't get distracted. I try to treat everyone with respect and kindness, even if it may be hard. I also try to keep everyone upbeat by being encouraging and making everyone laugh. Don't be a sore loser. Don't get upset. You can't win every time."

Sedona wants other students hoping to gain experience in robotics to know, "if you are just starting out, the best advice I can give is just keep trying. Keep learning new skills, keep researching, and redesigning. It's not going to be easy at first. Just don't give up!"

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Sedona Sachatello and Jonathanian 2.0



Scholarships

DeLuca Strings Scholarship

Addison Oakden
Annika Clarkson
Clara Taylor
Esther Barnum
Lydia Langford
Ali Anderson
Savanna Brimley
Savanah Miller

Vocal Scholarship

Lolly Ashton
Isaac Gillette
Kassidy Jaeger

Vista School Foundation Academic Achievement Award

Isaac Gillette
Chloe Nickle
Mckenna Summerhays

Gail Neumann Teacher Staff Excellence Award

Jazzmine Gee
Kathy Carlson
Michelle Andes

Vista vocal groups and symphony at end of year concert.



DeLuca Strings Scholarship Winners



Vocal Scholarship Winners



Vista VRC Teams at Worlds



Upcoming Events

- Aug. 10 Back to School Night Last Name A-L, 5-6 p.m.
Back to School Night Last Name M-Z, 7-8 p.m.
- Aug. 15 First Day of School
- Aug. 18 Kindergarten Orientation
- Aug. 25 8/9 Back to School Party, 7:30 p.m.
- Sept. 9 Ivins Heritage Days
- Sept. 22-23 Swiss Days
- Sept. 29 Shakespeare Showcase

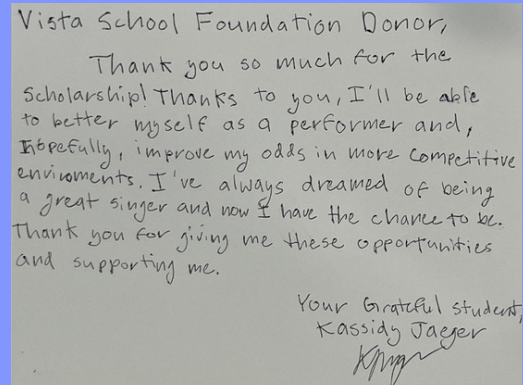
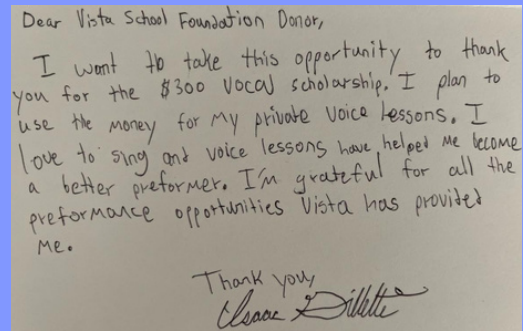
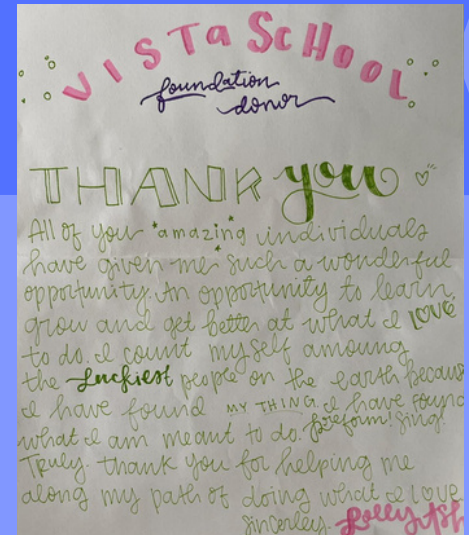


Vista Advanced Choir

VEX IQ continued

Sedona is a 7th grader with hopes of attending Success Academy in the future. Throughout her schooling, she plans to take a plethora of science and engineering classes, while also including as many extracurriculars as possible.

The Vista School Foundation would like to recognize and congratulate Sedona, the Vista Vikings, and Vista's VRC teams on their outstanding performance.



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