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Echo House Multi-Service Center S.A.N.D. Youth Prevention After School Program at the St. Francis Neighborhood Center

The Echo House S.A.N.D. Youth Prevention After School Program at the St Francis Neighborhood Center is an educational enrichment program. The program operates from October 2003 to May 2004. There are 20 children ages 6 to 12 enrolled in the program. The weekly schedule of activities consists of Reading, Math, Language Arts, Violence Prevention, Substance Abuse Prevention, Arts & Crafts, Game Day and daily assistance with understanding and completing their homework. Snacks are served to the children every day.

Educational and recreational monthly field trips are planned for the children. The children's field trip for the month of October was visiting the Green Meadow Petting Farm, Jessup, Maryland. The children were educated about farm animals and learned how to milk a cow, feed chickens, ducks, and turkeys. After having a brown bag lunch picnic, the children enjoyed a run through a corn maze and a hayride through the woods. The children picked out their very own pumpkin from a pumpkin patch to bring home.

Every Saturday from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, the children enjoy recreational activities at The Gilman School provided by the students of the Senior Class of Gilman.

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