

Maximizing Your Student's Learning by Recognizing and Utilizing All Learning Styles

Learning Styles: *ways in which the brain effectively gathers and processes information to learn*

A.C.E. systematically incorporates within its curriculum and programs methods to stimulate learning in these three major learning style areas.

VISUAL LEARNING

Learn by: 1. Reading, observing, or illustrating.
2. Using strong visual associations.

Learning is strengthened by:

- Note-taking and illustrating.
- Experiencing visually stimulating objects.
- Underlining and highlighting.
- Visualizing what is learned.

The A.C.E. program emphasizes visual learning by:

- Color-coded PACE procedures.
- Reading/writing daily PACE goals.
- Computer software and keyboarding.
- Colorful example activities.
- Puzzles, mazes, visual tracking activities.
- Brightly illustrated PACE curriculum.

AUDITORY LEARNING

Learn by: 1. Listening to verbalized teaching.
2. Remembering by mentally forming the sounds of words.

Learning is strengthened by:

- Verbalizing aloud to memorize and solve problems.
- Using rhythm and music patterns.
- Drilling aloud to learn concepts.
- Minimizing distractions.

The A.C.E. program emphasizes auditory learning by:

- Scripture memory recitation.
- Devotions, enrichment class discussion.
- Multimedia curriculum.
- Oral reports, recitations.
- Oral vocabulary reading.
- Oral social studies assignments.
- Supervisor-directed curriculum discussion.

KINESTHETIC LEARNING

Learn by: 1. Experiencing what one sees and hears.
2. Physical movement and tactile activities.

Learning is strengthened by:

- Having frequent breaks.
- Physically participating in the learning process.
- Writing notes or highlighting information while listening.
- Completing projects/books filled with action.

The A.C.E. program emphasizes kinesthetic learning by:

- Computer software and keyboard usage for tactile stimulation.
- Manipulatives.
- Student convention participation.
- Active breaks and enrichment classes (P.E., Music, Art, etc.).
- Active social studies and science projects.
- Questions requiring written answers.

Incorporating all learning style activities:

- **Augments and reinforces the student's PACE activities.**
- **Strengthens areas of learning weaknesses.**

Supervisors and parents should emphasize a balanced blend of learning style activities to produce the healthiest learners.