

# Insight, Experience Gained In Student Aide Program

"This is one of the most rewarding experiences in my life."  
 "I can't decide, yet, if teaching school is for me or not."  
 "I feel like I'm really doing something."  
 "It makes you feel good when their faces light up

when you arrive!"  
 These are just a few of the comments coming from some of the fifty juniors and seniors at Chowan and John A. Holmes High schools taking part in the "Part D" Occupational Education program.

with teaching. Some students, who are talented and interested in special areas, concentrate only in those areas, such as in art and physical education at White Oak, where there is no formal program provided.

"Part D", as it is commonly known, is an exemplary occupational education project written three years ago for the purpose of providing students the opportunity to explore the teacher aide occupation and receive actual classroom training. Federally funded for 338,000 this year, the project is unique in that students receive one hour's course credit and are paid the minimum wage for one hour of work performed as a teacher's aide.

According to Rob Boyce, project director, 27 students from John A. Holmes and 23 students at Chowan are participating this year. For the first six weeks of school, these juniors and seniors received two-hour daily classroom instruction. During this time, they were instructed in the areas of human relations and child development, as well as in practical areas such as preparing lesson plans and making attractive bulletin boards.

Three years ago when "Part D" was first initiated, teachers were somewhat dubious about having student aides in their classroom. "Now, Boyce stated, "there are not enough students to fill the teachers' requests for them. After three years the project has proven itself beneficial on three levels—for the Part D students, to the teachers, and to the regular classroom students."

"Part D" students from Chowan High work as teacher aides at White Oak School and in Chowan's elementary grades. Holmes students serve as aides at E. A. Swain and D. F. Walker schools. While receiving their on-the-job training from classroom teachers, these students perform just about all of the duties performed by the regular teachers. "Part D" students give individual math and reading tutorial aid to those needing help and perform clerical duties connected

A project evaluation process goes on continuously now that students are actually receiving on-the-job training. Once each month participating students meet with the project director to re-evaluate their work. Boyce also observes each student as he works and meets with the teachers to discuss the students' progress, ways to improve the program and evaluate the benefit of both.

Boyce sees the key to the program as that which "gives students the chance at a better awareness of themselves, more confidence in themselves, and a feeling of self importance." "These students receive excellent training and are given an avenue for finding their future," he further added.

This year is the last for this phase of the Occupation Education Project, which was originally funded for three years.

## Pesticide Schools Begin December 6

By R. M. Thompson  
 County Ext. Chairman  
 We again want to remind you of the Pesticide schools that are starting Monday, December 6:

**First**  
**Two-Hour Session**  
 Monday, December 6—1:30 P. M., Ryland Community Building; Tuesday, December 7—10:00 A. M., Edenton Municipal Building and Tuesday, December 7—1:30 P. M., Advance Community Building.

**Second**  
**Two-Hour Session**  
 Monday, December 13—1:30 P. M., Ryland Community Building; Tuesday, December 14—10:00 A. M., Edenton Municipal Building and Tuesday, December 14—1:30 P. M., Advance Community Building.

**Both**  
**Two-Hour Sessions**  
 Wednesday, December 15—10:00 - 12:00, Oak Grove Community Building and 1:30 - 3:30, Oak Grove Community Building.

We certainly encourage you to attend these sessions. On Thursday, December 2 at the Albemarle Electric Membership Corporation building in Hertford Dr. Bob Wells will discuss Family Farm Business Organization Agreements. He will discuss the advantages and disadvantages of wage and bonus plans.

On Monday, December 6, at the Municipal Building in Edenton at 7:30 we will have our income tax meeting. The Income Tax laws have been changed and this will give you an opportunity to up-date your knowledge of the income tax to suit your individual plans. Charles Hammond, Area Economist, will conduct this meeting.

On Thursday December 9 at 10:30 we will have our Tobacco meeting at Edenton Restaurant. S. N. Hawks, Extension Tobacco Specialist, will conduct the meeting on the recommendations for 1977 and we will probably discuss the referendum on tobacco to be held later on in December. The meeting will be followed by a dutch luncheon.

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**FESTIVE SEASON**—24, 25, 26 little Indians and one Pilgrim in Mrs. Gail Jones Fernandez's kindergarten at D. F. Walker School "gobbled" and "war-whooped" their happiness as they made preparations for the Thanksgiving season. Becoming familiar with the Thanksgiving story, learning the meaning of Indian signs, making fruit and construction paper turkeys, making their own Indian and Pilgrim costumes, and constructing a real tee-pee were part of the activities in which these enthusiastic youngsters were engaged the lesson of sharing was well learned as evidenced in the top left photo. At left, Rhonda Sawyer, Pilgrim, shares her abundance with Indian chief, Kevin Simpson, as Wayne Rountree and Andrew Cox observe in agreement. The right photo reveals a group of happy costumed Indians anticipating the celebration of Thanksgiving Day.



**STUDENT AIDES AT WORK**—At White Oak School, "Part D" student aides give instructions to students as they receive on-the-job training themselves. Alvin Twine and Debbie Davenport teach physical education skills to younger students.

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**Providence Church Notes**

Sunday School 9:45 A. M.  
 Morning Worship 11 A. M.  
 Rev. J. H. London has selected in his text "God In Us: As Counselor and Comforter John 14:18. The Junior Choir will sing.  
 The New Oak Grove Baptist Church Adult Choir of Blackwater, Va. will be special guests.  
 Mr. London, Jr. will celebrate his anniversary on Sunday, at 3 P. M. at the First Baptist Church.

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# Early Shopping, Mailing Urged

This year the Edenton Chamber of Commerce has joined the Postal Service in a combined effort to encourage the public to shop and mail early for Christmas, according to Postmaster James M. Bond.

"The Christmas shopping season is now open in Edenton and many of the final overseas military mailing deadlines fall due before the end of this month," Postmaster Bond said. "The deadlines this year vary according to different parts of the world. Specific information can be obtained by calling the Edenton Post Office. The important thing to remember is to do your shopping early and mail your cards and parcels early."

Postmaster Bond also points out this year's suggested domestic deadlines to assure on-time delivery for Christmas are December 3 for parcels and December 10 for cards and letters. "By cooperating with these deadlines, the public will give the post office adequate time for processing and delivering their cards and parcels to their destinations in plenty of time for Christmas," Postmaster Bond said. "Once your Christmas shopping is complete," he said, "you should take the

necessary time for properly preparing your cards and gifts for mailing. Use ZIP-Codes. Legibly write your own ZIP-Coded address and the full ZIP-Coded address of the recipient." This helps in processing your mail more rapidly and assists in making delivery in case portions of the address become illegible, Postmaster Bond said.

The Post Office also recommends proper wrapping of gifts to be mailed, including use of strong packaging materials.

"Remember, Postmaster Bond said, the key to the successful mailing of cards and parcels is to allow

adequate time. Shop early, allow enough time to properly prepare cards and parcels for mailing, and mail early. By cooperating with the Post Office in this matter, you will help us help you have a better Christmas."

**CARD OF THANKS**  
 I would like to express my sincere appreciation to all who remembered me in any way while I was in the hospital. I am especially grateful for the many cards, visits, gifts and prayers. Also, I want to thank the entire staff of Chowan Hospital for the many kindnesses shown to me.  
 Myrtle S. Parrish

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 10 A. M. to 1 — 2 P. M. to 7 P. M.  
**FRIDAY, DEC. 3:**  
 10 A. M. to 1 — 2 P. M. to 7 P. M.  
**SATURDAY, DEC. 4:**  
 10 A. M. to 1 — 2 P. M. to 6 P. M.