

# KIPP Houston

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Contact: Lynn Barnes, School Leader KIPP Coastal Village  
409-765-5731, [lbarnes@kipphouston.org](mailto:lbarnes@kipphouston.org)

## **KIPP COASTAL VILLAGE RECEIVES ART PROGRAM GRANT**

Galveston, Texas, October 20, 2011 - KIPP Coastal Village received a grant from The Del Papa Distributing Community Fund to support an on-site art program for their second, third, fifth and sixth grades. The Fund regularly supports educational organizations throughout their seventeen county distribution area. This grant will fund art supplies and an artist stipend. Local artist Carolyn Vieau will conduct a variety of art classes including recycled projects, kinetic art, two-dimensional and three-dimensional exploration.

Research confirms that cognitive skills, Reading and Language skills and Mathematics skills are all positively affected by the addition of arts to the curriculum. In addition to contributing to higher scores on standardized tests, Arts Education gives students the ability to learn new skills, to be creative and innovative and to strive for excellence. Through community grants of this nature, KIPP Coastal Village and other schools can do their part to get students to and through college.

For additional information contact:

Lynn Barnes, School Leader  
KIPP Coastal Village  
409-765-5731  
[lbarnes@kipphouston.org](mailto:lbarnes@kipphouston.org)

*In the photo, back row, left to right: Erin Seale, KIPP, Renee Gobert, KIPP Mike Ferlet, Del Papa Distributing, Sharon Delisandri, KIPP  
Front row, left to right: Jayden Ross, Caden Henderson, Paris Turner, Second Grade*