The Winston School celebrates National Special Education Day

Ella Del Fiorentino and Estefany Gamino Pena at the vision impairment booth. (Courtesy)

The Winston School in Del Mar celebrated National Special Education Day on Monday, Dec. 2. This day is recognized around the country for being the commemoration of this nation’s first federal special education law in 1972 when the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, also known as IDEA, was signed.

The Winston School parents and staff created a lunchtime event for the students to participate in, so they could show their support for this special day. A group of parents ran three interactive booths, with each booth representing a different
disorder: hearing impairment, vision impairment, and dyslexia. Each activity allowed peers to understand, tolerate, and accept students’ differences improving daily life at school and bolstering self-esteem.

The Winston School students now have a better understanding of what it may be like for someone else who may not be able to hear, see, or write as well as they do.