

BYTE April Recap

April showers bring BYTE flowers! The season is in full bloom here at BYTE and we are glad to share our bouquets of success with you! This month we are showing off our updated reports page and we're also highlighting BYTE athletic trainer Diego Alvarez, whose work has strengthened our athletic programs! This issue also highlights the BYTE Vista Fellowship, which is a great opportunity for exceptional grad and undergrad students!

Thank you for continuing to make our work possible and for supporting kids and communities on the US/Mexico border!

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Border Youth Tennis Exchange 2020 Program Evaluation Report

BYTE is intentional in the development of programs and the success of our work speaks for itself. During Covid-19 disruptions the team invested in a robust approach to curriculum design, also improving course tracking and evaluation. Be sure to check out our [reports](#) page to take a deep dive into BYTE's community impact. You can also click the following links to see our most recent content: [Digital Storytelling](#); [BYTE Academic Pedagogy](#); [2021 Program Overview](#)!

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BYTE Staff Highlight



Diego Alvarez

Though he is the newest member of BYTE's team, sports has been Diego's passion for most of his life. A Sonora native, Diego joins BYTE as a tennis and pickleball coach. Prior to BYTE he earned a degree in physical exercise from the University of Sonora!

Diego coaches at 5 BYTE sites in Mexico, focusing largely on developing its migrant shelter sports classes. Diego believes sports and exercise lead to healthy lives, so shares his hope that "sport be as natural to us as breathing." He mentions that "it's important to our health that we take good care our our bodies and [he] love[s] sharing that with the kids."

Diego's favorite aspect of working with BYTE is the opportunity to interact with so many different kids in his community. In particular, he states " the kids are amazing, so diverse, and getting to work with all ranges between 4 and 17 is really special. Everyone has their own story."

Diego hopes to continue growing in sports and to learn more about

tennis throughout this process! Besides the joy of meeting so many interesting kids, Diego says he also has a great appreciation for his BYTE instructor colleagues. He admires how they bring so many different valuable tools to BYTE and how it all fits together into an impactful combination.



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Looking to join our team?



Are you interested or know someone who may be a good fit for BYTE's team? BYTE is partnering with the Intercollegiate Tennis Association to offer 1-year paid fellowships, through a national Vista Americorp program titled, [Tennis for America!](#) Through this unique offering the ITA joins national Americorp colleagues working to tackle poverty through community tennis in the United States. T4A VISTA Fellows placements utilize post collegiate athletic and academic experience to add capacity to organizations making impact in their communities.

BYTE is seeking graduate students and exceptional upper division grad students in the San Francisco Bay Area. Prior tennis experience is not required and an ideal candidate will be passionate about social justice and international development.

Applications are now open and details about this paid opportunity can be found on this [link](#). We are accepting applications now through Jul 10th.

If you have questions or need more information, please contact us at info@bytetennis.org!



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