

# Welcome to The School of Education

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## The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey

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Even as our friends and neighbors continue to rebuild after Hurricane Sandy, we are approaching that time of year when we express thanks for all that we do have. Around the School, we have much to celebrate:

Recent graduates of our Instructional Technology Leadership Academy Melissa DeMari and Maureen Kees have been hired! Melissa is the only 2nd grade teacher in her hall with a SmartBoard and Maureen is teaching computer technology at Gibbsboro Elementary. Congratulations Melissa

and Maureen! Current students may still apply to the [ITLA](#).

Among our faculty, there are also some great reasons to celebrate. First, Stockton Center for Economic & Financial Literacy Director Deb Figart has been re-appointed for another two-year term. Next, NJTESOL sent us special thanks for the leadership of Lois Spitzer and participation from Rita Mulholland and Susan Cydis at their recent conference, hosted here at Stockton. Last but by no means least, MAED Director Kim Lebak and

TEDU Coordinator Norma Boakes led dual re-accreditation self-studies with the combined faculty members of both programs.

Among faculty and staff, Nancy Fiedler organized faculty poster participation in International Week, 11/11-15. Safalta par badhai ho!



### Leadership, Supervision and Evaluation

In preparation for the *TEACHNJ Act*, all New Jersey School districts are preparing evaluation plans. The SRI & ETTC have been offering consultations, workshops and trainings on Danielson, Marzano and evaluation

planning in general. In addition, the School will be highlighting graduate credit courses in Supervision, Leadership, Assessment and Evaluation. These courses will be open to both, matriculated graduate students

and non-matriculated post-baccalaureate teachers who'd like to enhance their supervision and evaluation skills.

Visit our graduate web site for details:

[www.stockton.edu/grad](http://www.stockton.edu/grad)

## Special Olympics of NJ: Volunteer Opportunities at Stockton



The Special Olympics of New Jersey seeks volunteers for two upcoming programs:

### TRAIN Program #1

On Friday, January 4, Stockton will host a sports expo for school age athletes to be assessed in various sports drills. The program seeks volunteers to help run the stations between 9:00am—

1:00pm. No experience required; orientation provided on-site prior to the 10:00am event start time.

### TRAIN Program #2

On Saturday, January 5, the TRAIN program will repeat at Stockton for athletes planning to compete in the state hockey tournament. Experience is not required and an orientation will once again be

held prior to the official program, which will run between 10:30am—4:00pm.

For more information about these opportunities or to sign up today, contact Amy Simmons, Volunteer Director at the Special Olympics of New Jersey:

609-896-8000 or

[ajs@sonj.org](mailto:ajs@sonj.org)

## Mark Your Calendars

**“The only reason for time is so that everything doesn't happen at once.”**

**-Albert Einstein**

11/21 Classes end 3:25 for Thanksgiving Holiday

12/11 Fall Classes end

12/13 Graduating student grades due to Registrar

12/16 Commencement

12/17 License Intake

12/21 Fall Term grades due to Registrar

12/24—1/1 Holiday Closing  
1/2 College offices reopen

1/15 New Graduate Student Orientation & Registration

1/22 Spring Classes Begin

3/5 – 3/7 TEAC Auditors' Visit

3/11 – 3/15 Spring Break—  
No Classes (offices open)

3/26 Preceptorial Advising—

No Classes  
4/3 Preceptorial Advising—  
No Classes

5/6 Spring Classes end

5/8 Graduating student grades due to Registrar

5/10 Masters and Doctoral Degree Commencement

5/11 Commencement

## Loan Options for Teachers

The Federal Student Aid Office of the US Department of Education offers loan forgiveness, cancellation and deferral options for teachers of students in low-income schools.

These programs are designed to encourage

teachers to enter and continue in the profession with specific emphasis on those who work at schools that serve low-income students.

Visit [studentaid.gov](http://studentaid.gov) for more details.

**Federal Student Aid**  
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## **SRI & ETTC: Spotlight on "From My Classroom to Yours"**

Stockton's Southern Regional Institute & Educational Technology Training Center has settled into its new home in the Parkway Building with plenty of parking and easy access from major roadways.

Upcoming workshops and conferences available on the public calendar can be viewed at [www.ettc.net/calendar](http://www.ettc.net/calendar). Please be sure to check out SRI&ETTC workshops scheduled for Stockton's new instructional site at

Manahawkin in Ocean County by looking under Featured Programs at [www.ettc.net](http://www.ettc.net). Pre-registration has also opened for the SRI&ETTC's Annual "From My Classroom to Yours" Conference on March 13, 2013. This teacher-to-teacher conference offers teachers, technology coordinators, and educational administrators the opportunity to share "best practices" for teaching and learning. Have you ever considered presenting a

conference session? Here is your opportunity. This year's theme is Life in the Cloud! We encourage you to submit your ideas and requests early.

Due to the limited number of sessions that can be accommodated at the conference, we have set a submission deadline of **Wednesday, January 16, 2013 at 5 p.m.** Go to [www.ettc.net/conference](http://www.ettc.net/conference) for details about presenting and registering to attend.



Visit the SRI & ETTC at  
10 Jimmie Leeds Road (near G5 Parkway)

For more information about workshops, visit the web:

[www.ettc.net](http://www.ettc.net)

## **PARCC Item and Task Prototypes: Click to Read the Full Story at PARCC Online**

As part of its continued development to transition all 23 states (NJ among them) who have signed on to the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers, the PARCC consortium has made the first prototype items

and tasks available on its web site for review.

Educators, students and parents may examine the prototypes as a way to learn more about how state assessments might appear in the future. PARCC stresses that

these are illustrative only, not actual test items. PARCC recommends viewing a powerpoint slide presentation first, then viewing items by grade level for Math and for ELA Literacy.



Partnership for Assessment of  
Readiness for College and Careers

## **Opportunities for Teachers, Supervisors and Faculty**

**Go Global!** The US Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs offers several opportunities for teachers (and students) to internationalize.

Click on [Exchanges](#) and Find more programs from there.

**Fishman Prize:** If you make a difference in the lives of low-income students, or know a teacher who does, consider applying for or nominating someone you know for a [Fishman Prize](#) today.

**Free Webinars from Apple:** iTunes U plans two more [free sessions](#) on November 27 and December 4.

**NEA Invites Applicants to The Big Read** grants from \$2500-\$20000 by February 4.





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The School of Education **CONNECTS.**

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Our School of Education prepares new K-12 teachers for TEAC-accredited initial certification. We emphasize more and better field experiences than most other pre-service programs in New Jersey.

We also offer three graduate programs: for master teachers, for instructional technologists and for aspiring educational leaders. Many of our courses lead to additional state certifications and endorsements, and all can be customized to meet your needs, both at our Stockton locations in Galloway, Atlantic City, Hammonton, Manahawkin as well as anywhere within your school district.

Our Southern Regional Institute & Educational Technology Training Center (SRI & ETTC) offers professional development aimed at increasing student achievement. Our Centers for Community Schools and Financial Literacy fulfill our commitment to excellence in student and community engagement.

## From the Dean's Desk

Dear Faculty, Staff, Alumni and Friends of our School,

The impact of Hurricane Sandy on some areas of southern New Jersey has been devastating. School of Education faculty, staff, alumni and students have been active volunteers in recovery efforts throughout the region. In the face of tragedy, our SOE family has come together to help. We are thankful to our friends and neighbors for the outpouring of generosity we have experienced.

As you read through our third issue of Academic Year 2012-13, please keep those who have been affected by the storm in your thoughts, particularly as the holiday season nears. Visit

[New Jersey 2-1-1](#) to see a clearinghouse of recovery information for victims and volunteers.

As in previous issues, we invite you to connect with the School of Education on any level: visit our web sites, stop by our facilities, attend or offer a workshop through our SRI & ETTC, present a guest lecture to our students, collaborate with our faculty or graduate students on their research projects, and of course, mentor or supervise our student teachers.

If you are a School of Education graduate, drop us a line to let us know how you're doing: lining up that teaching job, helping out as a substitute or aid, volunteering in your community, etc. We'd

love to hear from you.

In addition, if you as faculty, staff, school partners, friends and neighbors have any questions or suggestions for the School, please always feel welcome to send them my way.

Please note that Stockton will open a Woodbine Education Center this spring term, near the Azeez Museum. Watch for news of classes and workshops.

And finally, please accept my thanks to you, for all you do on behalf of our School. And please also accept my very best wishes to you for a peaceful and reflective Thanksgiving celebration.

Sincerely,  
Dr. "ClauDean" Keenan



More Posters from International Education Week