

# Welcome to The School of Education

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## The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey



### Moments of Silence: Helping Our School Family to Reflect on Crises

As we recover from the shock of the tragedy in Newtown, CT, each of us has called upon our own inner reserves for strength. We tap those reserves in part to deepen our own capacity for helping those around us:

students, colleagues and family members who rely on us for guidance. In the days ahead, please take your moments of silence as your own faith and belief systems guide you, and please be mindful as you do to keep your eyes,

hearts and minds attentive to your students, colleagues and neighbors. The smallest kindness, a smile, a wave, a comforting pat on the shoulder, can help all of us to recover and renew our hope for the future.

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### What's New? Student and Faculty Success from the School of Education

Congratulations to the student teachers who graduated last weekend, 12/16/12! Best wishes to you all as you prepare for your teaching careers. Please keep in touch as Jenna McCoy has already done: she's landed a long-term leave replacement position in Edison Township! We've also heard from two more ITLA alumni: Shana Carver is teaching computers at the St. Dominick School in Brick and Theresa Murtha is a long-term Art sub in EHT.

Congratulations also to the seven MAIT graduates who celebrated commencement with us. Soon-to-be MAEL graduate

Darlyne deHaan has just joined the Regional Achievement Center, and soon-to-be Alternate Route completer Glynnis Reed, now teaching art at Texas Avenue School has also just opened her own studio. Congratulations! More congratulations go to our faculty on several noteworthy achievements: Dr. Jung Lee has been promoted to Full Professor, Dr. Deborah Figart and Dr. Lois Spitzer have had articles accepted and/or published, and grants have been awarded to Dr. Norma Boakes, Dr. Susan Cydis, Dr. Jeremy Ervin, Dr. Deborah Figart, Dr. Priti Haria, Dr. Kim Lebak, Dr. Shelly Meyers

and Dr. Ron Tinsley. In addition, still more congratulations go out to the SRI & ETTTC for having been selected to continue a Gear Up project in collaboration with our partners in Atlantic City, Pleasantville and Bridgeton. SRI & ETTTC also welcomed new members Toms River School District, Millville Public Charter, Vineland Public Charter School and Cumberland Technical School. Finally, congratulations to all of our students, faculty, staff, supervisors and cooperating teachers for a very successful fall semester, in spite of all the obstacles we've faced.

### Holiday Cheer from the School of Education Family



This year, the School of Education teamed up in another partnership with the Arc of Atlantic County. In addition to the course connections that students in Dr. Meyers' classes enjoy, our faculty and staff received a family wish list for the holidays. We each selected items from the list to provide for our newly "extended" family, and at our office holiday potluck

celebration, we wrapped the gifts for each family member. Special thanks go out to every member of the School of Education family for your generosity and your willingness to make the season of giving that much brighter for our good friends at the Arc.

The Arc of Atlantic County has been making a difference in the lives of people

with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families since 1961.

Is your school, family or organization interested in participating in this or other partnership programs with the Arc? Visit their web site to learn more: [www.arcatlantic.org](http://www.arcatlantic.org) or email [info@arcatlantic.org](mailto:info@arcatlantic.org) or phone 609-485-0800.

Happy Holidays!

### Mark Your Calendars

**"Don't be fooled by the calendar. There are only as many days in the year as you make use of."**

**-Charles Richards**

12/24—1/1 Holiday Closing	3/5 – 3/7 TEAC Auditors' Visit	grades due to Registrar
1/2 College offices reopen	3/11 – 3/15 Spring Break— No Classes (offices open)	5/10 Masters and Doctoral Degree Commencement
1/15 New Graduate Student Orientation & Registration	3/26 Preceptorial Advising— No Classes	5/11 Baccalaureate Degree Commencement
1/16 Non-Matriculated Stu- dent Registration	4/3 Preceptorial Advising— No Classes	5/13 Summer Classes Begin
1/21 Martin Luther King Day of Service (College closed)	5/6 Spring Classes end	5/14 Non-graduating student grades due to Registrar
1/22 Spring Classes Begin	5/8 Graduating student	7/24 NJEA TechCon

### Curriculum Vitae in Sedonaweb: an online database just for you



The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey has invested in a college-wide license for all full and part time faculty members to store records of their professional achievements.

Sedona is a self-service

web database application that allows you to maintain your teaching, service, experience, development, credentials, and assessment records.

Using data you add or select, Sedona allows you to create a CV in any format

and an optional public web site.

Would you like to learn more or attend a hands-on workshop about Sedona on Thurs 1/17 in J228? RSVP:

[Karin.kallert@stockton.edu](mailto:Karin.kallert@stockton.edu)

## **SRI & ETTC: Ring in 2013 with Workshops and a Conference**

Stockton's Southern Regional Institute & Educational Technology Training Center has an exciting line-up planned for the new year.

Upcoming workshops and conferences available on the public calendar can be viewed at [www.ettc.net/calendar](http://www.ettc.net/calendar). Highlights include Common Core, First Year, iPads, SMART, Edmodo, Dreamweaver, Moviemaker, Wikis, Blogs and Evernote.

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). Coming Soon: SRI in Woodbine, NJ.

Pre-registration continues for the 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. This year's theme is Life in the Cloud! We encourage you to submit your ideas to present and requests to attend early.

Due to the limited number of sessions that can be accommodated at the conference, submissions are due by **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 GS Parkway)

For more information about workshops, visit the web:

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

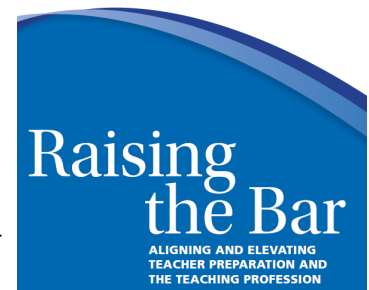
## **Raising the Bar for Teacher Preparation: A Report from the AFT**

According to the American Federation of Teachers, "the United States' system [for teacher preparation] is a patchwork lacking consistency...To that end, all those involved in preparing future teachers must collaborate to ensure that the standards, programs and assessments are aligned to a well-grounded vision of effective teaching."

In its landmark report, *Raising the Bar*, the AFT makes three recommendations:

1. All stakeholders must collaborate to ensure that teacher preparation standards, programs and assessments are aligned with a well-grounded vision of effective teaching.
2. Teaching must have a universal assessment
3. Primary responsibility for setting and enforcing the standards of the profession must reside with practicing members in K-12 and higher education.

Read the [full Raising the Bar report](#) online as a pdf.



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

**Open Educational Resources**  
Would you like access to thousands of free, teacher-vetted educational resources? Visit <http://www.oercommons.org> to view (and join) this free, ever-expanding collection.

**NEA Invites Applicants to The Big Read** grants from \$2,500-\$20,000 by Feb 4.

**NEH Supports Free Summer programs for teachers** from one-to-five weeks. Apply by March 4.

**Teacher Ambassador Fellowships (TAFs)** are one-year paid positions for teachers who want to inform policy on the national level. [Sign up](#) with the US Department of Ed for updates on the 2013-14 round of Fellowships.





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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.

**Opening soon: Woodbine Education Center**

## From the Dean's Desk

Dear Friends of our School,  
The impact of the shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School weigh heavily on our minds, even as our own region reels from acts of violence closer to home. In the face of tragedy, our SOE family has once again come together to help. We are grateful to our friends and neighbors for the opportunities each has taken to offer comfort and support as we all mourn the horrific losses to the educational community a few districts or states away, yet so close within our hearts.

As you read through our fourth issue of Academic Year 2012-13, please keep those who have been affected by tragedy in

your thoughts, particularly as the holiday season peaks. Visit this repository of internet resources to [Prevent or Reduce Violence and Trauma in Schools](#), shared by our colleague from Kean University, Dr. Gary.

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 very best wishes to you for a peaceful and joyous New Year.

Sincerely,  
Dr. "ClauDean" Keenan

