

The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey Welcome to The School of Education

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Monday-Friday 8:30-5:00



Kevin Jarrett, a member of CSTA-SNJ, demonstrates "Little Bits" online and in J-202 for the January 14 meeting.

Achievements and Accolades

Congratulations to all the School of Education faculty and staff who have volunteered their time to join us at our first Future Educators **Association** (FEA) conference for high school students. This free conference will be held in the Campus Center on Tuesday, June 2 from 8:15-2:15. Register your group of 15-20 future educators online today!

Participants will enjoy

breakout sessions with Dr. John Quinn, Ms. Jeanne DelColle, Dr. Norma Boakes, Dr. Darrell Cleveland, Dr. Priti Haria, Ms. Chelsea Tracy-Bronson, Dr. Doug Harvey and Dr. Pamela Vaughan.

Kudos to our organizers, **Dr. Lois Spitzer** and **Dr. Meg White**, both of whom have also been working on the nationally-recognized *Tomorrow's Teachers* project. Recently, the Center for Educator Recruitment, Retention and Advancement (CERRA) congratulated and thanked Dr. Spitzer for her series of curricular additions to Tomorrow's Teachers that emphasize cultural diversity. The new materials will be included in dual credit versions of the course, offered at Brick High School, Southern Regional High School and Atlantic City High School next year.

Friends and Fellows of our School to Meet

The Xi chapter of <u>Delta</u> <u>Kappa Gamma</u>, will hold their February 3 meeting for regular members at the Stockton Campus Center Board Room. President **Janel Shafer** will be presenting Xi Chapter's first book award to a Stockton Education student at 6:00pm. Contact <u>Janel Shafer</u> for more information.

Stockton alumna and frequent NJEA workshop presenter **Lynne Kesselman** is the founding president of the newest <u>New Jersey</u> <u>chapter for CSTA</u>: Computer Science Teachers Association. Membership is free, meetings include idea and resource exchanges and professional development hours. Mark your calendar for the next meeting, March 11, 6:00pm in Room J-202 in Stockton's School of Education.

Adjunct Faculty Lou DellaBarca, President of Chapter 1616 PDK invites guests and new members to a mixer on Thursday, February 19 at 6:00pm at the <u>Harbor Pines Golf Club</u>.



Catch up on past issues and sign up for your own PARCC Updates <u>newsletter</u>.

New Jersey's first PARCC testing windows are set to open in March, replacing the NJASK and HSPA exams for Math and English Language Arts.

Stockton faculty and staff have invited New Jersey's Chief Performance Officer, Dr. Bari Erlichnson, to spend the day talking about possibilities for the new exams to impact current and future K-college collaborations, such as dual credit courses, shared professional development programs, admissions considerations and freshmen course placement practices. Assistant Commissioner Erlichson will spend the day of 2/24 at Stockton's main campus in Galloway, meeting with small groups of faculty, staff, administrators and students.

PARCC Updates: Chief Performance Officer at Stockton 2/24

An open public session will take place at 4:30pm. If you are able to attend, please email <u>Dean Keenan</u> your RSVP so we can plan light refreshments for all attendees.

Need assistance preparing for the PARCC window? Visit the <u>Top 12 Resources</u> for Educators, where you'll find online webinars, guidebooks, sample test questions, a technology tutorial, and resources for parents. PARCC is also preparing a Leaders' Toolkit that will be posted to this same web site in the near future.

Hope to see you on 2/24!

Mark Your Calendars

"Winter is not a season, it's an occupation."

-Sinclair Lewis



1/20-27 Drop/Add Period
2/1 Deadline to apply for Spring Graduation
2/16 President's Day (Open)
2/19 PDK Meeting Harbor Pines Golf Club 6pm
2/27-3/5 Sub-term A IDEA
3/5 Sub-term A Classes End
3/6 Sub-term B Classes Begin

3/8-15 Spring Break
3/11 CSTA Meeting J202 6pm
3/24 Precepting: No Classes
4/1 Precepting: No Classes
4/3 Good Friday (Open)
4/8 Withdrawal Deadline
4/14-27 IDEA Administration
4/27 Modified Class Schedule

5/1 Spring classes end

5/5 Grades DUE by 10am for Graduating Seniors

5/7 Graduate Commencement Ceremony

5/9 Undergraduate Commencement Ceremony

5/13 Grades DUE for nongraduating seniors

Tech Trek

Teachers of 7th grade girls are invited to nominate campers for the July 19-26 residential camp at Stockton. Thirty girls will be selected to attend for just \$50 (AAUW scholarships available) for the entire weeklong experience. Nominate via the web site.

Spotlight on Women in STEM

The AAUW report "<u>Why So</u> <u>Few? Women in Science,</u> <u>Technology, Engineering and</u> <u>Mathematics</u>" continues to resonate with K-college, corporate, non-profit and government agencies alike.

Georgetown's Center for Poverty and Equity recently hosted a <u>live-stream conference</u> to examine how we can end marginalization of girls in STEM and Career/Technical Education (conference archive begins about 25:00 and extends throughout the remaining five hours of informative sessions).

Stockton has partnered with the American Association of University Women (AAUW) <u>Atlantic</u> and Cape May chapters, to bring a Summer STEM Tech Trek residential camp to the College July 19-26, 2015. Please consider nominating a 7th grade girl to participate in the week-long camp for just \$50. The remaining costs will be covered by <u>philanthropy</u> that members and others who also believe in the importance of increasing STEM opportunities for girls.

AAUW is also still seeking volunteers to assist with the camp, offer workshops, or sponsor a camper. <u>Visit the</u> <u>web site</u> to participate.

SRI & ETTC UPDATE

Date Change: Register now to attend From My Classroom to Yours, south Jersey's best teacher-toteacher conference. In response to feedback from districts preparing for the PARCC tests, we have MOVED the conference: Wednesday, May 20.

Register now to attend the first annual <u>Middle & High</u> <u>School Social Studies Con-</u> <u>ference</u>: Fulfilling our Civic Mission, to be held **April 16** at Stockton, with support from the Verizon Foundation. Keynote Address by Ambassador William J. Hughes.

The SRI&ETTC offers several winter workshops that range from an **I&RS Team Training** on February 18 to a **21st Century Skills in Health and Physical Education** workshop with Debra Serafin on February 19 and a **Technology Choices** workshop exploring eco-choices with Chuck Kausch on February 26. The SRI&ETTC also has public workshops to meet all of your professional development needs, including Cloud Computing, e-Rate, Edmodo, screencasting, PARCC, Video Production 101, SmartBoard, Anti-Bullying, Legal Compliance, Dyslexia and more. Visit the <u>SRI&ETTC calendar</u> to register yourself and/or a team of colleagues.

For your custom workshops, contact the SRI&ETTC at 609-626-3850.



The SRI & ETTC facility located on 10 W. Jim Leeds Road in Galloway

View the 2013-14 Annual Report

Resources & Opportunities for Current Students and Recent Alumni

Current Stockton students: apply for a <u>Fellowship for</u> <u>Distinguished Students</u>; due March 16, 2015.

Current Stockton students apply for **Foundation scholarships** that vary in size and selection criteria. Be sure to request faculty letters of recommendation now that <u>applications are</u> open; due March 20, 2015. Is your **student group** successful in philanthropy? Apply for a <u>\$10,000 prize</u> to recognize that success!

PDK Scholarships are available for prospective educators (due April 1, 2015) and for graduate study (due June 1, 2015).

Atlantic County teaching jobs are posted online.

International Academy of Atlantic City Charter School has begun to hire for a Fall 2015 opening. Follow them on <u>Facebook</u>.

Check into <u>Teacher Loan</u> Forgiveness for high

needs areas and schools: based on where, what and for how long you've been teaching, loan forgiveness amounts and terms vary.



International Academy of Atlantic City Charter School

Resources & Opportunities for Teachers and Principals

College for Every Student offers grant-funded programs to middle and high schools who want to increase the number of low income students who go to college. <u>Apply</u> <u>online by March 1, 2015.</u>

AAUW Summer Tech Trek for 8th Grade Girls is seeking math and science teachers for stipend positions and volunteer workshop opportunities July 19-25. Email AAUW or visit TechTrek for details.

NEA Foundation will award grants of \$2,000 or \$5,000 to programs that improve student achievement and/or to teachers who propose learning and leadership programs for professional development. <u>Apply</u> online by February 1, 2015.

NCTM will award a grant of up to \$4,000 for secondary math in-service (due May 4) up to \$3,000 for PK-8 action research in math (<u>due May 4</u>) and additional grants up to \$3,000 for math teachers who propose exceptional projects (<u>due June 1, 2015</u>).

Register now for a four-day Summer Institute to consider **Why the Humanities Matter** at Stockton July 13-16. Just \$50 for 2 ETTC hours or all 24 hours of workshops.



Institute participants have the option to earn 3 Stockton graduate credits. <u>Learn more.</u>



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

We also offer a CAEP-TEAC-accredited <u>graduate program</u> for master teachers, supervisors, specialists, principals and a program for <u>instructional technologists</u>. 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 or Woodbine, as well as anywhere within your school district. Special group and on-site tuition pricing plans are available as well.

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 Friends of our School,

The deadline for sending comments to the Department of Education's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking is February 2, 2015. Thank you to all of our faculty, alumni and partners who have already sent responses. Our professional association, the American Association of Colleges of Teacher Education (AACTE) has <u>created a kit</u> to help interested citizens draft responses.

The School of Education is proud to continue expanding our partnerships with schools, districts and related educational organizations that include the Computer Science Teachers Association of Southern NJ, the <u>Delta Kappa Gamma</u> Society Xi Chapter, the AAUW Atlantic County chapter, the Phi Delta Kappa Stockton Chapter, the Future Educators Association and our newest undergraduate organization: the **Stockton Education Society** (web site coming soon). These partnerships allow our members and friends to share ideas, resources and commitment to strengthening education in our south Jersey region.

Now more than ever, our future teachers need your

help, as a mentor, hiring agent or donor. Please click the link at right and donate to our scholarship fund that makes the path towards teaching a bit smoother. No gift is too small, and all are deeply appreciated. Have you won an award in education? A grant or prize? Gotten a promotion or an entirely new job? Drop us a line and let us share your good news with our faculty, alumni, staff, current students and friends. As always, please email

<u>keenanc@stockton.edu</u> with your feedback.

> Best wishes, Dr. "ClauDean" Keenan

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