



Welcome to The School of Education

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Achievements and Accolades

Congratulations go out to **Dr. Amy Ackerman** and **Dr. Doug Harvey (MAIT)** for co-presenting with POLS' Dr. Tina Zappile at the NJ Edge conference earlier this month. Their poster focused on a "Go Global!" Online Summer Program designed for



incoming first year students as a six-week online course, prior to their first fall semester. The course survey results demonstrated that faculty reached ELOs and IT goals. Stockton is part of a consortium of schools in NJ and nationwide using the [AASCU Global Challenges](#) curriculum, designed by faculty in all of the participating AASCU colleges and universities.



Congratulations to our partners at Galloway Public Schools, who received a Certificate of Appreciation for their partnership from **Jeanne DelColle**, pictured with Ernest Huggard (Board Chair) and Dr. Annette Giaquinto (Superintendent).

Saint Baldrick's Day Success

Terry Dougherty (MAED) and Atlantic County Teacher of the Year (2014) celebrated a Roland Rogers Elementary School spring tradition: [St. Baldrick's Day](#), to raise funds for childhood cancer research. This is the fifth year that Roland teachers, staff and students participated, recognizing each classroom that raised funds with student Shamrock deco-

rations and celebrations as the school exceeded its goal of \$12,000.



A current and former student hold Mrs. Dougherty's hand.

The event highlights volunteers who shave their heads to honor children undergoing cancer treatments. Mrs. Dougherty has also been serving as a fellow this year in connection with her ongoing volunteer tutoring project, [They Are Heroes, Too](#), which was recently featured in an article on page 16 of the [Military Child](#) magazine. Congratulations, Terry!



Catch up on past issues and sign up for your own PARCC Updates [newsletter](#).

PARCC Updates: Response to Pearson Monitoring Social Media

The PARCC consortium has its own set of data privacy and security policies, available at the [PARCC web site](#).

In response to recent news stories about Pearson monitoring social media, then reporting its findings to the New Jersey Department of Education, PARCC has issued a statement of ["Test Fairness and Security"](#) noting that its "policy follows the best practices outlined by the Council of

Chief State School Officers, which recommends that there should be 'procedures to monitor the internet and social websites before, during and after test administration for any evidence the items and/or answers have been shared' online.

The Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO) [document](#) referenced as a "best practices" guideline for states is only available for a \$29.99 purchase.

Social and mainstream media have been carrying [stories that react to the recent controversy](#), which ignited when the NJ Department of Education contacted a Watchung, NJ superintendent, requesting that the district impose discipline on a student who posted a "tweet" about what was then the upcoming test. Additional updates include a [change in the practice for Colorado](#) and a call from [AFT to stop the monitoring](#).

Mark Your Calendars

"In the Spring, I have counted 136 different kinds of weather inside of 24 hours."
~Mark Twain



4/1 Precepting: No Classes	5/7 Graduate Commencement Ceremony	5/25 Memorial Day - CLOSED
4/3 Good Friday (Open)	5/9 Undergraduate Commencement Ceremony	6/29 Summer I ends
4/8 Withdrawal Deadline	5/13 Grades DUE for non-graduating seniors	7/4 Independence Day - CLOSED
4/14-5/1 IDEA Administration	5/18 Summer Energy Saving Hours begin: CLOSED Fridays	7/1 Summer III begins
4/27 Modified Class Schedule	5/18 Summer I, II & IV begin	7/29 Summer II ends
5/1 Spring classes end		8/11 Summer III & IV end
5/5 Grades DUE by 10am for Graduating Seniors		8/24 Summer Hours End

Spotlight on ESEA: Turning 50 and Feistier than Ever

The Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 was originally part of Lyndon Johnson's "Great Society" package, emerging from [John Gardner's work](#).

Designed to equalize American public education as part of the War on Poverty, the ESEA has been reauthorized and updated many times over its fifty-year history, including its most recent No Child Left

Behind phase, which was the focus of a forty-year [retrospective book](#) aimed at educational researchers, practitioners and policy-makers.

Current drafts of the next [reauthorization](#) are already making their way through the legislative process. Ranking members of both national parties have begun drafts and discussions, some highlights of which were recently sum-

marized here by the [New America Foundation](#).

Reauthorization carries strong implications for everyone involved in education, from how funding is directed to [states and districts](#), all the way through how state and federal agencies use data to influence teacher preparation programs, school reform and standardized testing. Stay informed [on key issues](#).



SRI & ETTC UPDATE

It will be a busy spring at the SRI&ETTC and we encourage you to register for a wide range of programming including a series of free workshops on [Civics Education](#), funded by the Verizon Foundation.

The first annual [Middle & High School Social Studies Conference: Fulfilling our Civic Mission](#), will be held **April 16** at the SRI&ETTC with Keynote Remarks by Ambassador William J. Hughes.

[Powerful Conversations in a](#)

[Culture of Feedback, Observations and Artifacts to Support Teacher Evaluations](#), and [Hazing and Bullying in School Athletics](#) are workshops available for school leaders this spring at the SRI&ETTC through a new partnership with NJPSA.

Register now to attend the [From My Classroom to Yours](#) conference, South Jersey's best teacher-to-teacher conference, featuring sessions from your colleagues, for you, to be held **May 20** at Stockton.

[Creating a Support Environment for Students in Distress](#) will be held on May 14 and the 3rd Annual Anti-Bullying Conference will be held on May 27-28.

The [All Things Google Summer Camp 2015](#) is now accepting registrations. This event will be held at Stockton University on **July 30**. **Register now** and save your seat.

Visit the [SRI&ETTC calendar](#) to learn about additional programs and events.



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

[The McCarthy Dressman Education Foundation](#) offers Academic Enrichment Grants and Teacher Development Grants (up to \$30,000 each). Due April 15.

[The National Storytelling Network](#) offers a \$5,000 grant for a model storytelling project that is service-oriented, based in a com-

munity or organization, and replicable. Due April 30.

[PDK Scholarships](#) are available for prospective educators (due April 1) and for graduate study (due June 1).

[The Unsung Heroes Awards Program](#) grants up to \$25,000 to teachers with innovative projects. Due April 30.

[The NEA Foundation](#) awards grants to teachers submitted by June 1.

[The Sol Hirsch Education Fund](#) awards \$750 grants to teachers who improve the study of meteorology to their students/community. Due June 1.

Atlantic County teaching jobs are [posted online](#).



Resources & Opportunities for Teachers and Principals

[The Reading Council of Southern New Jersey IRA](#) is eligible for up to four awards in Teacher Empowerment, Community Engagement, Public Awareness and Distinguished Council. Due April 15.

[The Snapdragon Book Foundation](#) awards \$800-\$2,000 in grants for library books. Due April 24.

[NCTM will award](#) grants ranging from \$1,000 to \$10,000 to its current and future members for a wide range of projects, for math professional development or advanced study and for achievements. Due May 4.

[The American Chemical Society](#) offers a range of grants, fellowships and

scholarships to its members and their students. Deadlines vary.

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. [Learn more.](#)

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We also offer a CAEP-TEAC-accredited [graduate program](#) for master teachers, supervisors, reading specialists, principals and a program for [instructional technologists](#). Many 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, and 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 enhance our commitment to excellence in community engagement.

The Stockton School of Education CONNECTS.

From the Dean's Desk

Dear Friends of our School,

As the last of the spring snow finally begins to melt, the School of Education is preparing for the last several weeks of our spring semester. Commencement preparations are underway for graduate students who will earn masters degrees, and for undergraduates who will earn initial certification. As we prepare to wish each of you well on the next phase of your journey, we urge you to keep in touch with your alma mater, Stockton University.

Remaining active in the Alumni Association not only connects you to your class-

mates, but also to the ongoing developments and benefits that Stockton offers exclusively to you: receptions, recognition awards, athletic, arts and cultural events, just for you. So please be sure to sign up for the Alumni Association and stay connected.

Many of our masters graduates have already been contacted about an exciting new degree program, coming to Stockton next spring. Would you like to be part of the Ed.D. in Organizational Leadership? Visit the new web site today and sign up to receive updates as they become available. We are very excited to host this interdisciplinary doctoral

degree through the School of Education, and welcome all applicants from arts, business, education, faith-based, healthcare, municipalities, non-profits, and professional sectors. The course work will be delivered in low-residency hybrid fashion, and the networking opportunities will be outstanding.

Have you won an award in education? A grant or prize? Gotten a promotion or new job? Drop us a line and let us share your good news. As always, please email keenan@stockton.edu with your feedback.

Best wishes,
Dr. "ClauDean" Keenan

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