



# Welcome to The School of Education

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## Achievements and Accolades

Congratulations go out to **Dr. Deborah Figart (LEAD)** and co-author Dr. Ellen Mutari on their book, *Just One More Hand: Life in the Casino Economy*. Drs. Figart and Mutari also gave a talk in NYC on *economic perspectives of artists'* work, sponsored by CUE.



**Awardee Stephanie with daughter Brylee, Dean Keenan and local DKG President Janel Shafer.**

Congratulations to **Stephanie Hoffman (TEDU '15)** who received a \$500 scholarship from Xi Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma.

**Dr. Susan Cydis** earns kudos on publishing her most recent article "Authentic Instruction and Technology Literacy," in *The Journal of Learning Design 8(1)*.

Congratulations also to **Susan Stinson (MAIT '14)** on being nominated for the Princeton Secondary Teaching Award.



## School Spirit in Stockton's Home Town

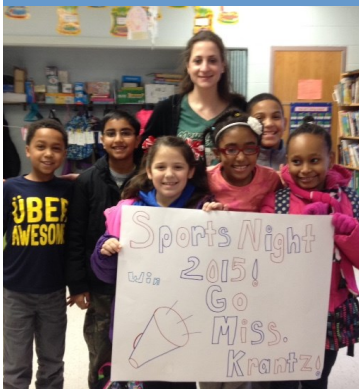
**Alexandra Krantz (TEDU '15)** enjoys a quick commute from campus to her Student Teaching placement at the Roland Rogers Elementary School in Galloway, Stockton's home town.

Though Alex, a PSYC major, usually calls East Brunswick home, she's made Stockton's

home town very proud by volunteering with friends at Sports Night for the Teachers' Volleyball Team. Pictured at left with her students' cheering section, Alex has been co-teaching this year with 2013-14 Atlantic County Teacher of the Year **Terry Dougherty (MAED)**.



**Fellow Galloway Student Teachers Alicia Champion and Danielle Cairns** join Alex Krantz on Roland Rogers' faculty volleyball team. Go Osprey-Tigers!





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

### PARCC Updates: Chief Performance Officer at Stockton 2/24

Stockton faculty and staff spent the day with New Jersey's Chief Performance Officer, Dr. Bari Erlichson, talking about possibilities for the new exams to impact current and future K-college collaborations, such as dual credit courses, professional development programs, admissions considerations and freshmen course placement practices.

Assistant Commissioner Erlichson met with small

groups of faculty, staff, administrators and students, discussing admissions, advising, placement and dual credit programs, as well as the "opt out" movement across the state.

A video-recording of the afternoon session, complete with faculty and staff questions and answers, will be available on the School of Education [home page](#).

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.

Need assistance preparing for the PARCC window? Visit the [Top 12 Resources 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.

### Mark Your Calendars

"Winter is on my head, but eternal spring is in my heart."

~Victor Hugo



2/27-3/5 Sub-term A <a href="#">IDEA</a>	4/8 Withdrawal Deadline	mencement Ceremony
3/5 Sub-term A Classes End	4/14-5/1 <a href="#">IDEA</a> Administration	5/13 Grades DUE for non-graduating seniors
3/6 Sub-term B Classes Begin	4/27 <a href="#">Modified Class Schedule</a>	5/18 Summer I, II & IV begin
3/8-15 Spring Break	5/1 Spring classes end	6/29 Summer I ends
3/11 CSTA Meeting J202 6pm	5/5 <b>Grades DUE by 10am for Graduating Seniors</b>	7/1 Summer III begins
3/24 Precepting: No Classes	5/7 Graduate Commencement Ceremony	7/29 Summer II ends
4/1 Precepting: No Classes	5/9 Undergraduate Com-	8/11 Summer III & IV end
4/3 Good Friday (Open)		

### Spotlight on Proposed New Jersey Regulations

Section 9A of the New Jersey Administrative Code, pertaining to [Teacher Preparation](#) programs, expires on 12/15/15. In proposing code to replace the expiring section, the Talent Division of the New Jersey Department of Education requested the following changes:

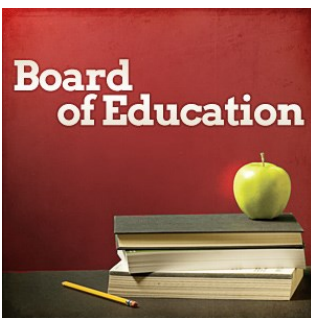
1. 50 hours of practicum in at least two settings, one must be special ed;

2. One YEAR of student teaching spent two days per week in fall, shifting to full time in the spring semester, preferably in the same school and
3. Cooperating teachers must be rated Effective or Highly Effective and play a role in candidate selection

In other sections of the code, the Department also pro-

posed changes to the [Alternate Route program](#), to [Certification Requirements](#), to the [Substitute Teacher](#) Guidelines, and to the [Principal](#) and [School Administrator](#) Residency Programs.

The Board of Education held a first discussion at its regular meeting on February 4. [Public comments are accepted online](#) and at the March 4 meeting ([register by Feb 27](#)).



## SRI & ETTC UPDATE

The SRI&ETTC offers several late winter/early spring workshops that range from a **free [Deep Sea Ship-wrecks](#)** on March 19 to **free [iCivics workshops](#)** between March and June to a new series of **[school leader workshops](#)** in partnership with NJPSA/FEA in April, including **[Hazing, Bullying & Athletics](#)**.

**Register now to attend** the first annual **[Middle & High School Social Studies Conference](#)**: Fulfilling our Civic

Mission, to be held **April 16** at Stockton, with support from the Verizon Foundation. Keynote Address by Ambassador William J. Hughes.

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

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 **[SRI&ETTC calendar](#)** 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 **[Fellowship for Distinguished Students](#)**; 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 **[applications are open](#)**; due March 20, 2015.

Is your **student group** successful in philanthropy? Apply for a **[\\$10,000 prize](#)** to recognize that success!

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

**Volunteer Opportunity** to assist a summer writers'

workshop at St. Joseph's in Somers Point. Contact **[Sylvia Mary McFadden](#)**.

**Mastery Charter Schools** of PA are recruiting for locations, including Camden. Visit their **[web site](#)** for more information.

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

## Scholarship Opportunities



## Resources & Opportunities for Teachers and Principals

**Library of Congress Literacy Award** applications are due March 31 for prizes that range from \$50,000 to \$150,000 for sustainable best practices in literacy education.

**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 (**[due May 4](#)**) and additional grants up to \$3,000 for math teachers who

propose exceptional projects (**[due June 1, 2015](#)**).

**[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.

**Virtual Visit to the National Gallery and More** visit the **[web site](#)** for many free interac-

tive resources and downloads for teaching the arts.

**Looking for free iBooks** to use in your classroom? Visit the Library of Congress **[Student Discovery Sets](#)** for yours.

**Teaching Tolerance** offers **[free subscriptions, classroom materials and professional development](#)** to teachers, courtesy of the SPLC.



Institute participants have the option to earn 3 Stockton graduate credits. **[Learn more.](#)**

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

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,

Yes, it's official. We are now Stockton University, with a renewed commitment to teaching at the center of a comprehensive university.



**Dr. Amy Ackerman joins the celebration on February 18.**

Though our name has changed, Stockton remains committed to teaching: providing breadth and depth in our curriculum via a vibrant blend of liberal arts and professional degree programs. Our new status also renews our commitment to community outreach in our region.

On both the university and the school level, it is our partnerships with friends and neighbors throughout the region that continue to keep us strong. We are making our way to school board meetings this spring at many of our partner districts, to say THANK YOU for your ongoing support and collaboration. Pictured here are Dr. Taylor

with her Ocean City Board members and colleagues, accepting our Certificate of Appreciation from Dr. Pam Vaughan, Assistant Dean of the School of Education.

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](mailto:keenan@stockton.edu) with your feedback. And if you are able to make a [gift](#) to the School of Education scholarships, we THANK YOU for your generosity!

Best wishes,  
Dr. "ClauDean" Keenan

