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Welcome to The School of Education

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Stockton Student Teachers at April 4 Admissions Open House session. From left: Allison Ninfa, Louis Apalucci, Toni Capille, Kelly Mulligan, Rachel Ludwig and Courtney McLaughlin.

Achievements and Accolades

Congratulations to 2004
TEDU and 2003 PSYC alumni: Valerie Heiss Lydon
earned Teacher of the Year
as a 4th grade teacher in
Russellville Arkansas, and
Kimberly Heiss Veltre
earned Teacher of the Year
as an 8th grade science
teacher in Lakewood, New
Jersey.

Kudos to **Dr. John Quinn** for his ongoing work as a national reviewer of PARCC math test items. Congratulations to **Dr. Joe Marchetti** and to **Dr. Susan Cydis** on their selection to the Freshman Seminar Institute, and also to **Dr. Shelly Meyers**, who will co-facilitate the FRST Institute.

Congratulations to all the AERA presenters this year: **Dr. Norma Boakes**, **Dr. Kimberly Lebak** and **Dr. Priti Haria**.

In addition, **Dr. Boakes'** paper Preparing Competent, Caring, and Qualified Teachers" has been accepted into the *Journal of Education Science*.

Congratulations Student Teachers!

Having completed a successful semester teaching or coteaching with a cooperating teacher, the Spring 2014 student teachers are now all fully licensed and ready to work! Congratulations, new teachers, listed below with their primary certification areas:

Louis Apalucci (K6), Ashley Barredo (K12 English), Ashley Beatty (K6), Jamie Cameron (K6), Toni Capille (K6), Christina Cibotti (K12 English), Briana Clark (K12 English), Barbra Costello (K6), Kady Farinola (K6), Samantha Filangieri (K12 Social Studies), Eric Gaskill (K6), Kristen Gazzara (K12 Biology), Heather Higgins (K6), Joshua Higgins (K12 Chemistry), Meghan Hooper-Jackson (K6), Angela Ianello (K6), Amanda Kennedy (K6), Michael Kushnir (K6), Rachel Ludwig (K6), Kathleen Mac-Phee (K12 Math), Francesca Mancuso (K6), Megan

McCandless (K12 English), Rachael McFadden (K6), Courtney McLaughlin (K6), Jessica McQuillen (K6), Rachael McQuillen (K12 English), Jenna Meyh (K6), Kelly Mulligan (K12 Social Studies), Allison Ninfa (K12 Biology), Robert Oldehoff (K12 Math), Olivia Olive (K6), Steven Onorevole (K12 Social Studies), Alyssa Parola (K6), Kevin Poltorak (K6), Anthony Pomarico (K12 Social Studies), Caitlin Rigby (K6), Gina Scelso-Sheeran (K6), Bryan Silipino (K12 Social Studies), Rebecca Sims (K6), Jason Strobel (K6), Brittany Tomaski (K6), Parin Udani (K12 Social Studies), Gian Verderame (K12 Social Studies), Cory Widmaier (K6), James Winkler (K12 Social Studies), Rachel Worrall (K12 Social Studies), Julianne Zlotnik (K6), Rachel Zoll (K12 Biology).

Principals, we cordially invite you to meet these new

teachers and those of the Fall 2013 class who are still available for hire at our upcoming Career Fair in the Stockton Campus Center Event Room May 21, 2014 from 1:00-4:00pm.

Cooperating teachers, on behalf of all 47 of our successful candidates, we thank you for opening up your classrooms and providing your expert mentorship to these future teachers. Without your care and dedication, the future of our profession would be grim.

Principals and superintendents, we thank you as well for encouraging these mentor teachers in their work. Your partnerships are invaluable to the success of our program.

Would you like to support, co-teach and/or mentor a student teacher? Contact **Jeanne.DelColle@stockton.edu** or call 609-652-4916.



Have questions about the PARCC field test?

Check out the <u>field test</u> page and the newly added <u>frequently asked questions</u> for parents.

Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers

PARCC has reported that the first window of field testing has ended with one clear lesson learned thus far, according to PARCC CEO Laura Slover: "the districts that are incorporating technology into their day-to-day programs are having an easier time with the computer-based testing. Schools that had students take the PARCC computer-

based practice tests or work with the computer-based sample items managed to iron out many of their issues — whether they were student questions or local network issues — ahead of time. We encourage schools for the second field testing window to have students try the computer-based practice tests or the sample items before

the field tests."
The second window of field testing opens May 5 with end-of-year assessments.
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In other states, the New York Assembly has passed a measure to <u>delay the use of PARCC assessment</u> in student promotion and teacher or principal evaluation by two years, and the <u>Maryland Assembly has passed similar bills</u>.

Mark Your Calendars

"April hath put a spirit of youth in everything."

-Shakespeare Sonnet XCVIII 5/8 Graduate Spring Commencement Ceremony

5/11 Undergraduate Spring Commencement Ceremony

5/14 All Spring grades due

5/19 Summer Session I and II classes begin

6/7 G. Larry James Legacy Bike Ride 6/23-7/1 Incoming Freshmen Orientation

6/30 Summer Session I ends

7/1 Summer Session III begins

7/3 Session I Grades Due

7/7-7/10 Incoming Transfer Orientation

7/28 Summer Session II ends

7/31 Session II Grades Due

8/7 Graduate Orientation

8/11 Summer Session III ends

8/14 Session III Grades Due

9/2 Fall Faculty Conference

9/3 Fall Classes Begin



Ruth Fisch Kessler, author of *The Blue Vase* will sign free copies of her memoir.

Spotlight on 31st Annual Holocaust Awareness Workshop Thursday May 1st

The "Commemorating the 75th Anniversary of the Kindertransport" workshop will focus on the rescue of 10,000 children from Germany, Austria, and Czechoslovakia to Great Britain, 1938 – 1940. Resource materials will be distributed that can be used to supplement Holocaust and Genocide Educa-

tion for grades 5-12.

Ruth Kessler's memoir, <u>The Blue Vase: A Memoir of a Vienna Kindertransport</u>
<u>Child</u>, will also be given to each participant. Ruth Kessler will share her life story with the workshop participants and she will sign her memoir.

The participants will also earn two hours of profes-

sional development credit.

The workshop will take place from 4:00-6:00pm in the Sara and Sam Schoffer Holocaust Resource Center at The Richard Stockton College of NJ (located on the second floor of the library).

Please call 609-652-4699 for more information or to register (free) to attend.

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SRI & ETTC UPDATE

Have you registered for your summer workshops yet? Join Web 2.0 Tools, or Writing Effectively for PARCC 3-8, or SMART-Board and SMARTNote-book, all offered in June. Visit the SRI&ETTC calendar to register yourself and/or a team of colleagues.

July brings the NJEA's first technology unconference to **Stockton: Tech**

Stock 2014. Register at SRI to use ETTC hours.

July is also the return of <u>All Things Google</u> to Stockton's SRI&ETTC.

For advance planning, save the date for Lib 2.0 2014: A Media Specialist's symposium: coming to Stockton October 20. Plan to spend the full day, including breakfast, lunch, 18 unique workshops and keynote

speaker Deborah B. Ford Director of Library Outreach for the Junior Literary Guild. Just 7 ETTC hours or \$178 to register.

Looking to get wet in May? Don't miss the NJMEA Teach at the Beach on May 20, 2014.

The Ceceilyn Miller Institute returns to Stockton May 28-29 for the <u>Anti-Bullying and School</u>
Safety Conference.



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

Resources & Opportunities for Current Students and Recent Alumni

Business and Professional Women of New Jersey seeks applications for several \$1,000 Career Development Awards. Apply online at www.bpwnj.com by May 1.

Atlantic City Community Charter School continues to hire for several Fall 2014 positions to start in September. <u>Apply online</u>. The **Southern Teachers Agency** currently has 926 vacancies listed by schools for the 2014-15 academic year. Apply online to be an STA Candidate.

Are you interested in becoming an intern at the **Center for Education Reform?** Apply online today.

Don't forget: Stockton's

Career Fair for Educators invites all current student teachers and career-seeking graduate students as well as alumni from our programs to meet school officials from districts that are hiring. May 21, 1pm.

Join us after the Career Fair for an **Alumni Panel** featuring the <u>Master of Arts</u> in Instructional Technology.



Learn more about the many exciting directions your career can take with a Master of Arts in Technology (MAIT) degree. Contact <u>Dr. Doug Harvey</u> to learn more about this program today.

Resources & Opportunities for Teachers and Principals

What do principals believe that evaluation systems for their profession should include? Read this report from the National Association of Elementary School Principals and the National Association of Secondary School Principals to see what best practices they recommend to policymakers and peers.

The Brookings Institution has recorded a series of audio and video events about the Common Core and standardized assessments. Visit the <u>free series</u> to listen and watch online.

The **National Writing Project** co-sponsors Bay Area KQED's free <u>Do Now</u> project to infuse social media

into civics awareness for high school students.

Where can educators find unbiased, evidence-based reviews of educational program curricula? Visit the Johns Hopkins Best Evidence Encyclopedia (BEE) to browse for a wide variety of program reviews.



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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 a TEAC-accredited graduate program for master teachers and a program for instructional technologists. 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,

As April comes to a close, our K-12 community gears up for the annual spring testing season. Colleges and universities are now collecting final papers, grading final exams, and preparing for our spring Commencements. Amidst all the clamor for change and reform, we draw comfort from the familiar routines and rituals of wrapping up an academic year, knowing that we have much to learn from the coming period of reflection that arrives shortly after our students head out for their summer breaks from SGOs, assignments and tests.

The Stockton School of Education has been collaborating with our peer schools of education throughout the state as the New Jersey Department of Education developed and refined its first-ever Educator Preparation Provider (EPP) Reports. These reports provide the 24 EPPs (and the NJDOE Alternate Route program) with vital data that link program completers to their workplaces within two years after initial certification.

The reports will be released on a NJDOE web site by May 8, and the faculty at Stockton look forward to reviewing the reports and sharing them with our K12 partners in education. By working together, we will all be able to benefit from the continuous improvement made possible through analyzing results and reflecting on ways to use the data we review.

As we look forward to sharing these reports, we also look back over a successful academic year, and we **thank you, our friends** for your continued support and generosity to our programs and scholarships.

As always, please email <u>keenanc@stockton.edu</u> with your feedback.

Sincerely, Dr. "ClauDean" Keenan

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