

# Teacher Preparation News

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## Student Teaching Placement Information

### Do you have Items to Share on Facebook Related to Educator Prep?

### Employment Information –Southeast Handshake Employment Site

If you have news that would be useful to teacher candidates, email [edprep@semo.edu](mailto:edprep@semo.edu) by 12:00 noon on the **Friday** prior to the publication date to have it included in the next newsletter. \*\*\*Some newsletter hyperlinks are not compatible with iPad\*\*\* Follow this [link](#) for recent past newsletters.

## EDHawk Scholars Program – Apply Now!

The aim of the EDhawk Scholars program is the development of a beneficial partnership between Southeast Missouri State University Educator Preparation program, school districts, and teacher candidates starting during the Advanced Field Experience placement.

### Student Benefits:

- Authentic teaching opportunities
- Pay for subbing
- Networking opportunities
- Participation in Interviews from District Leadership
- Guaranteed student teaching placement
- Guaranteed interview when applicable

### Requirements:

1. Scholars must commit to completing student teaching in a participating district—**Sikeston R-6, Cape Girardeau Public Schools, Jackson R-2, New Madrid County Central, Poplar Bluff, Ste. Genevieve, and Kennett.**
2. Scholars must have at least a 3.0 GPA in education courses 5-9, 9-12, and K-12: 3.0 GPA in content coursework.
3. Scholars must submit a resume, letter of application, 1 letter of recommendation, and complete the application.
4. Scholars must have a valid Missouri substitute certificate

*Candidates with the following will receive preferred consideration:*

1. Educational technology badges to meet technology expectations
2. Evidence of previous substitute teaching

### Expectations of the EdHawk Scholars:

1. Have a valid substitute certificate by the start of the first semester of the program (Fall 2024)
2. Be familiar with district processes for hiring substitute teachers.
3. Complete substitute teacher training with participating districts
4. Commit to substitute teaching in your assigned district at least once a week for 2 weeks during the fall semester. Subbing in the spring is not allowed as you will be student teaching.
5. Commit to completing student teaching in the assigned participating district.
6. Attend appropriate professional development activities in the district.
7. Meet all established requirements for student teaching and be enrolled in an Advance Field Experience course.

8. Attend meetings and communicate regularly with Scholars Sponsor.
9. Passing MOCA scores by deadline to student teach.

**APPLICATION:**

Use the link below to apply for the EdHawk Scholars Program. **Resume, application, letters, and sub certificate verification must be received by March 15, 2024.**

Link to EDHawk Application: <https://forms.gle/cBwS5F2rChx4u85S7>

Email documents to [fieldexperiences@semo.edu](mailto:fieldexperiences@semo.edu)

### **Wednesday, February 7: KDP Meeting**

The first meeting of KDP (Kappa Delta Pi) for the spring semester will be on February 7 at 7 p.m. in the Whitaker Room (Scully 209) inside the EDvolution Center.

### **Tuesday, February 13: SMSTA Mock Interview Meeting**

SMSTA (Student Missouri State Teachers Association) will be hosting a Mock Interview for their first meeting on Tuesday, February 13 at 7:00 p.m. in the Dempster Atrium Room 116. Brady O'Neill will be interviewed by Dr. Bohannon and other SEMO Professors in front of a live audience. All students interested in joining SMSTA are welcome to attend!

### **Friday, February 16: Social Studies MoCA/Praxis Study Session**

There is a Social Studies MoCA/PRACTICE study session scheduled for Friday, February 16 from 1-3 p.m. Sign up here: [MOCA rsvp](#).

## **Saturday, March 2: Diversity Teacher Job Fair**

# DIVERSITY TEACHER JOB FAIR

Designed to Advance Individuals of Color  
Within Area Independent Schools

**SATURDAY, MARCH 2**  
**10:00 AM-12:30 PM**

Central Christian School | 700 S. Hanley | St. Louis, MO



## MEET & INTERVIEW

with 24 Private Independent Schools

- **Positions:** Teachers and coaches, PreK-12
- **Certification a plus, but not necessary**
- **BA/BS degree minimum** (obtained by Jan. '24)
- **All majors welcome**

### Benefits of Working at an Independent School:

- **Small class sizes**
- **Motivated students and engaged families**
- **Diverse, inclusive student body**
- **Competitive salaries and benefits**
- **Outstanding professional development**
- **Exceptional facilities**

**Free Registration:**  
[independentschools.org/jobs](https://independentschools.org/jobs)



### Participating Schools

Central Christian School	New City School
Christian Brothers College High School	Rohan Woods School
City Academy	Rosati-Kain Academy
The College School	South City Community School
Community School	St. John Vianney High School
Crossroads College Prep School	St. Joseph's Academy
Forsyth School	Thomas Jefferson School
John Burroughs School	Ursuline Academy
Logos School	Villa Duchesne
Mary Institute and Saint Louis Country Day School   MICDS	Visitation Academy
Miriam School	Westminster Christian Academy
	Whitfield School
	The Wilson School

Sponsored by:

 **Independent  
Schools of St. Louis**

## **Friday, March 8: SSEA Meeting**

The Social Studies Educators Association will meet Fridays at noon in Carnahan 112 on March 8, April 5, and May 3. Contact SSEA president Frankie Kulavic [fkulavic1s@semo.edu](mailto:fkulavic1s@semo.edu) or advisor Dr. Kizat for information.

## **Background Checks**

If you are planning to do field work in PreK-12 school buildings during the Spring 2024 semester, you are required to have an up-to-date fingerprint background check on file with the Teacher Preparation Program. Field work courses include CE364, CE480, ED280, EL314, EL350, EL430, EL480, EX309, EX480, ME222, ME270, SE355, SE380, SE465, and any other course that requires field work in a school. (If you previously obtained a background check for the Southeast Missouri State University Teacher Preparation Program, it has not expired.) To see if your background check is up to date with the Teacher Preparation Program you can find this information in your Support Net Notes section. To obtain a new background check, you must go to the following [website](#) and follow the directions provided.

## **Join the Edgy Educators Podcast Team**

If you are interested in joining the Edgy Educators podcast, please email Dr. Robin Smith at [rlsmith@semo.edu](mailto:rlsmith@semo.edu). You may choose to produce or host a podcast. Join the fun and build your resume! Note: I am looking for a group of two students to read the Ed Prep newsletter. Let me know if you are interested!

## **EDvolution Center Newsletter**

The latest edition of the EDvolution Ed Prep Newsletter can be found [here](#).

## Recognizing & Reporting Child Abuse Training



# A GUIDE FOR MANDATED REPORTERS :

YOU WILL RECEIVE A CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION FOR YOUR RESUME!

# RECOGNIZING & REPORTING CHILD ABUSE

## Class Dates

There will be two sessions held on each date:

- Session #1: 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM
- Session #2: 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM

Spring 2024 dates at Southeast Missouri State:

- February 28
- March 6
- March 28
- April 10
- April 15
- April 24

Classes will be in the **EDvolution Center**  
Scully Building, Room 210  
One University Plaza  
Cape Girardeau, Missouri

*Class size is limited; please register early.*

## Who Would Benefit From This Training?

- Law Enforcement
- Educators
- Mental Health/Medical Professionals
- Faith-Based Leaders
- Social Workers
- *Anyone who works with or around children.*

## Training Content

- Legal Requirements of the Mandated Reporter
- Child Abuse/Neglect Definitions and Indicators
- Responding to a Child Disclosing Abuse
- Reporting Abuse Suspicions

For more information or questions:

-  [www.greenbearmo.org/our-programs](http://www.greenbearmo.org/our-programs)
-  [mponder@semonasv.org](mailto:mponder@semonasv.org)

**Register for a class this semester**  
by scanning the code





## **Free Google Vouchers**

If you are enrolled in SE 360, SE 365, or EL 300 you are eligible to receive a FREE voucher to take the Google Level 1 Certified Educator Exam! For SE 360 and SE 365 students, ask your professor or see the EDvolution Center for more details. For EL 300 students, you will get more details from your professor in April. Talk to the friendly staff at the EDvolution Center if you have questions.

## Future Triad Dates for Student Teaching

# Triad Dates for Student Teaching

Students must complete the Triad meeting (the university supervisor, the mentor teacher, and the student) **PRIOR** to beginning the student teaching experience. In Student Teaching students will follow the assigned school district's schedule. Triad dates have been set in advance to provide plenty of opportunities to avoid conflicts. Triads are usually held in Cape, Sikeston, and St. Louis. Times and places are not set as we are unable to secure rooms in advance.

**Fall 2024**  
**August 14th, 15th, and 16th**

**Spring 2025**  
**January 6th, 7th, and 8th**

**Fall 2025**  
**August 13th, 14th, and 15th**

**Spring 2026**  
**January 5th, 6th, and 7th**

**Fall 2026**  
**August 12th, 13th, and 14th**



## Courtesy Placements

In general, all students will be expected to do student teaching in Southeast Missouri or in sites within reasonable driving distance for university supervisors. However, in hardship situations, candidates may be considered for an out-of-region placement. There is an additional cost of **\$1,800** to cover the cost of hiring additional supervisors, their travel expenses, and other administrative fees. (Field Committee Approval 10/1/21).

**Students who wish to be considered for placement outside the area must fill out a request form provided by the Field Experiences Office in Scully 308 within two (2) weeks of the semester's start immediately before the student teaching semester.**

Students will be considered for teaching outside the university service area if:

- a. The candidate is married before the student teaching semester begins and the spouse must live outside the area for employment or military commitment.
- b. A hardship exists due to a serious, long-term illness of a member of the immediate family which would require the candidate to relocate immediately.
- c. Another documented situation exists as determined by the Director of Field Experiences.

If a candidate is deemed to qualify under the above terms, the Field Experiences Office must have assurance that another university in the requested area will be willing to place and supervise the student in a manner which meets Southeast Missouri State University's requirements. If the university providing the supervision is not accredited, the placement may be denied.

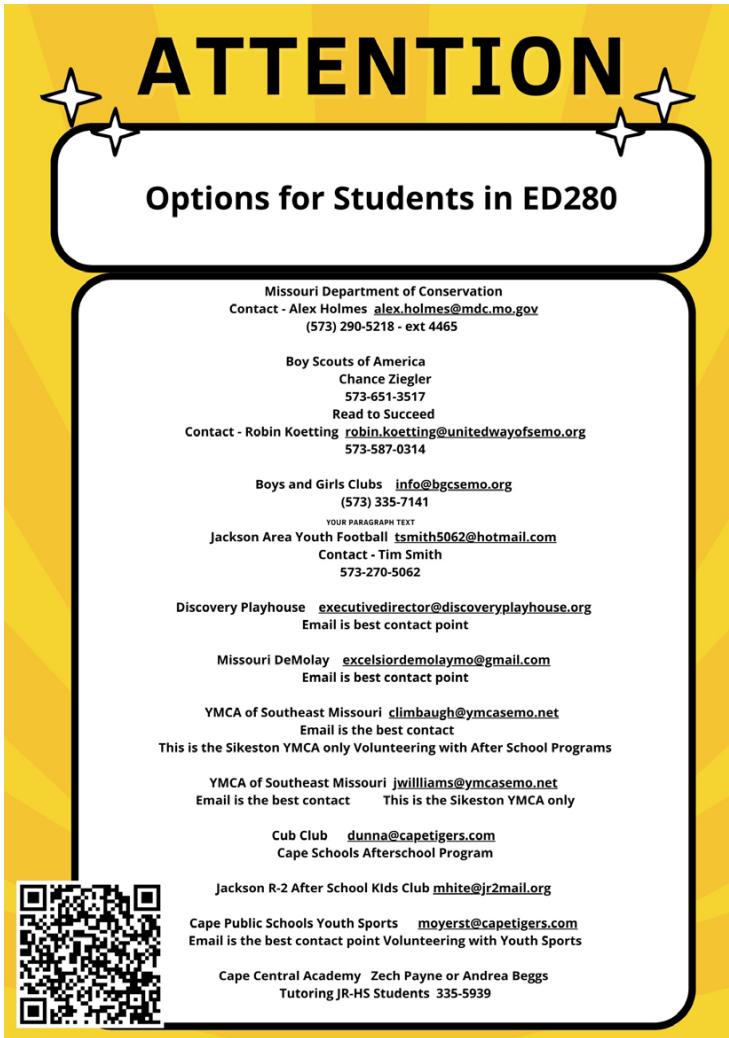
The Director of Field Experiences will determine if a candidate meets the requirements for student teaching outside the region and may present the request to the Field Committee. Exceptions or appeals can be made to a committee made up of the Director of Field Experiences and the Chairs of the Department of Middle and Secondary Education and the Department of Elementary, Early, and Special Education. Students must be able to ensure that the need is valid and that all requirements are met. The committee will not rule on other issues of placement not covered under those regulations.

Approved students must pay a non-refundable fee of **\$1800.00** to the Office of Field Experiences to cover costs related to the additional time related to coordinating out-of-area placements. The Field and Clinical Experiences Office will begin the placement process on the candidate's behalf once this fee is received.

Additionally, any fees over and above the normal amounts that would be paid on the candidate's behalf for an in-area placement for MT stipends, field supervisor salaries, and mileage reimbursement for these personnel will be the responsibility of the teacher candidate. Any additional fees related to the placement will follow the mentor district's refund policy if the placement is canceled.

All formative, summative and disposition MEES forms used by the College of Education must be used by the MT and courtesy supervisor. In addition, the same criteria to serve as MTs and supervisors that are required by Southeast Missouri State University will be met.

## Volunteer Options for ED280 Students



**ATTENTION**

**Options for Students in ED280**

Missouri Department of Conservation  
Contact - Alex Holmes [alex.holmes@mdc.mo.gov](mailto:alex.holmes@mdc.mo.gov)  
(573) 290-5218 - ext 4465

Boy Scouts of America  
Chance Ziegler  
573-651-3517  
Read to Succeed  
Contact - Robin Koetting [robin.koetting@unitedwayofsemo.org](mailto:robin.koetting@unitedwayofsemo.org)  
573-587-0314

Boys and Girls Clubs [info@bgcsemo.org](mailto:info@bgcsemo.org)  
(573) 335-7141  
YOUR PARAGRAPH TEXT

Jackson Area Youth Football [tsmith5062@hotmail.com](mailto:tsmith5062@hotmail.com)  
Contact - Tim Smith  
573-270-5062

Discovery Playhouse [executivedirector@discoveryplayhouse.org](mailto:executivedirector@discoveryplayhouse.org)  
Email is best contact point

Missouri DeMolay [excelsiordemolaymo@gmail.com](mailto:excelsiordemolaymo@gmail.com)  
Email is best contact point

YMCA of Southeast Missouri [climbaugh@ymcasemo.net](mailto:climbaugh@ymcasemo.net)  
Email is the best contact  
This is the Sikeston YMCA only Volunteering with After School Programs


YMCA of Southeast Missouri [jwilliams@ymcasemo.net](mailto:jwilliams@ymcasemo.net)  
Email is the best contact This is the Sikeston YMCA only

Cub Club [dunna@capetigers.com](mailto:dunna@capetigers.com)  
Cape Schools Afterschool Program

Jackson R-2 After School Kids Club [mhite@jr2mail.org](mailto:mhite@jr2mail.org)

Cape Public Schools Youth Sports [moyerst@capetigers.com](mailto:moyerst@capetigers.com)  
Email is the best contact point Volunteering with Youth Sports

Cape Central Academy Zech Payne or Andrea Beggs  
Tutoring JR-HS Students 335-5939



## MARE Scholarship Available

The Missouri Association of Rural Education (MARE) is now accepting applications for the Rural Missouri Scholarship Fund. A minimum of twenty (20) \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to college juniors or seniors majoring in education and who plan to teach in a rural school system. The application can be found at [www.moare.com](http://www.moare.com) or contact Dr. Pensel, Director of Field Experiences in Scully 301. Applications must be postmarked by Friday, March 29, 2024.

## **Jack J. Isgur Foundation Scholarship Available**

The Jack J. Isgur Foundation rural education scholarship is currently accepting applications from students enrolled in the field of education in the humanities, such as literature, fine arts, music, art, poetry and dance. Students must be at least a junior at a four-year college to apply. Graduate students may also apply. For more information and an application, contact Charles Jensen at 816-691-2760 or [Charles.jensen@stinson.com](mailto:Charles.jensen@stinson.com) or website: [www.isgur.org](http://www.isgur.org). Applications must be submitted by May 15, 2024.

## **Revision to the Admission to the Teacher Ed Program**

Students will no longer need to pass the science and social studies sections of the MoGEA. If you have any questions, email [edprep@semo.edu](mailto:edprep@semo.edu).

## **MoCA/MoGEA Study Guides Available on Canvas**

MoCA/MoGEA Study guides are available on Canvas. You should receive an invitation to a Canvas Course titled Pre-Service Teacher Resources, which will house study guides and other resources related to educator preparation. If you would like access and don't have it, please email [edprep@semo.edu](mailto:edprep@semo.edu).

## **Ed Prep Student Orgs**

If you have any news or meeting announcements that you would like to share and publish in this newsletter, please email the information to [edprep@semo.edu](mailto:edprep@semo.edu) by the Friday before the next weekly Tuesday issue. We would like to hear from you!

## **Student Teaching Placement Information**

Watch the [attached video](#) for information on the how this process works.

## **Do you have Items to Share on Facebook Related to Educator Prep?**

There is lots of valuable information on our [Ed Prep Facebook page](#). Please share and like this page! If you have any items to post, please submit them to [edprep@semo.edu](mailto:edprep@semo.edu)!

## **Employment Information –Southeast Handshake Employment Site**

New full and part-time positions are posted at [Handshake](#). You can also check out [Missouri Teaching JOBS](#) or [MOREAP.net](#).