Office of Educator Preparation, Southeast Missouri State University

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If you have news that would be useful to teacher candidates, email 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.

No Newsletter September 5

The Teacher Preparation Newsletter will not be published on Tuesday, September 5. The next issue will come out on Tuesday, September 12. Please submit any items by Monday, September 11.

Tuesday, August 29: Edgy Educator Podcast Informational Today!

Would you like to be part of the Edgy Educator Podcast? You get to interview people that you find interesting and build your resume! Faculty, community members, friends, and ...? You decide! Swing by Scully 240 (office by the elevator on the same floor as Subway) for treats and information with Dr. Robin Smith anytime between 11a.m. - 12noon on Tuesday 8/29. If that time does not work for you contact Dr. Smith for a time that does! Email: rlsmith@semo.edu See you soon!

Friday, September 1 – SSEA Meeting

The Social Studies Educators Association (SSEA) engages in service, professional development, and social activities related to the social studies. For Fall '23 we will meet on first Fridays (Sept. 1, Oct. 6, and Nov. 3.) in Carnahan 112 from 12-1pm. Feel free to bring lunch and a drink. Contact SSEA advisor Dr. Kisat for info (ckisat@semo.edu)

Friday, September 1 – Sikeston District Substitute Teacher Training

Sikeston R-6 Schools will be hosting a face-to-face Substitute Teacher Training session from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Friday, September 1 in Scully room 305. Substitute teaching is a great opportunity to gain experience and to have school personnel to get to know you. It will increase your teaching skills and improve your resume. This training will enable participants to substitute teach at Sikeston R-6 Schools. A valid substitute certificate is needed in order to sub. If you do not have a sub certificate, please contact Danyell Pride at dpride@spsr6.org or (573) 472-2581. To register for the training, please send an email to edprep@semo.edu with your name, student ID number, and major by Thursday, August 31 at 12 noon.

<u>NEW DATE!!!</u> Friday, September 8: Cape Girardeau District Substitute Teacher Training

The Cape Girardeau School District will be hosting a Substitute Teacher Training session from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Friday, September 8, 2023, in Scully 305. Substitute teaching is a great opportunity to gain experience and to have school personnel get to know you. It will increase your teaching skills and improve your resume. This training will enable participants to substitute teach in the Cape Girardeau Public School District. The daily sub rate for Cape Schools is \$110 for a full day or \$55 for half day. In addition, the District will pay \$75 for attending this training after you have substituted in a district school for one day. A valid substitute certificate is needed in order to sub. Anyone with a high school diploma who takes a 20-hour on-line class with DESE may apply or anyone who already has 36+ credit hrs. If you do not have a sub certificate, please contact Deb Tracy at subcaller@capetigers.com or 573-335-1867. To register for the training, please send an email to edprep@semo.edu with your name, student ID number, and major by Thursday, September 7 at 12 noon.

Friday, September 15 – Jackson District Substitute Teacher Training

The Jackson School District will be hosting a Substitute Teacher Training session from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Friday, September 15, in Scully Room 305. Substitute teaching is a great opportunity to gain experience and to have school personnel to get to know you. It will increase your teaching skills and improve your resume. This training will enable participants to substitute teach in the Jackson District. In addition, the district will pay \$45 after you have substituted in a district school for one day. A valid substitute certificate is needed in order to sub. If you do not have a sub certificate, please contact Kathy Childers at kchilders@jr2mail.org or 573-243.9501. **To register, email your name, student ID number, and major to edoprep@semo.edu** by 12 noon on Thursday, September 14.

Background Checks

If you are planning to do field work in PreK-12 school buildings during the Spring 2023 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.

New Edvolution Center Newsletter

The latest edition of the EDvolution Ed Prep Newsletter can be found <u>here</u>.

Spring Semester Student Teaching Triad Training Dates

- January 3, 2024 St. Louis
- January 4, 2024 Cape Girardeau
- January 5, 2024 Sikeston

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.

Are you Eligible to Student Teach During the Spring 2024 Semester?

If so, please be aware that if you do not already have a substitute certificate, we highly recommend that you apply for your substitute certificate by **July 17, 2023**. Instructions on how to apply for your Sub Certificate can be found under "Sub Certificate" here.

The deadline to apply for student teaching is **August 28**, **2023**. Instructions for the application process can be found here. (**PLEASE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS FOUND ON THIS PAGE**).

Click on the <u>application for student teaching</u>. Once you have completed the application, <u>a link to upload your documents</u> will be sent to within 5 business days.

Also, know that you will be required to pass all sections of the Missouri Content Assessment (MoCA) exam prior to student teaching. Some students in the past were not able to student teach, because they waited too late to take the exam. Start taking the MoCA now so you meet the **December 1, 2023**, deadline!!! Follow this <u>link</u> to register for the MoCA exams.

If you have any questions or concerns about the student teaching application process, please contact the Candidate Status & Certification Officer, Alicia Lincoln at aelincoln@semo.edu or 573-651-5932.

240 Tutoring Gives Back Scholarship – Apply by September 6!

The 240 Tutoring Gives Back scholarship will award \$1,000 to one teacher candidate. The scholarship runs through September 6th, 2023. Candidates can apply at https://mbhd.scholarship.app/

To apply, you will need to provide:

- If they have taken their certification exams, we want to know how they prepared for the exams.
- If they have not taken the exams, we want to know how they intend to prepare.
- Grade level and subject area they intend to teach.

If you have any questions, please email helpdesk@240tutoring.com. To learn more about 240 Tutoring, please visit https://www.240tutoring.com/about/. Free student resources can be found at https://www.240tutoring.com/resources/.

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 by the Friday before the next weekly Tuesday issue. We would like to hear from you!

Mark your Calendars Now for the Fall Career Expo

Fall Career Expo

Date: Wednesday, October 4, 2023

Time: 10 am – 2 pm

Location: Show-Me Center (1333 N. Sprigg)

Please call Amy Aldridge at (573) 651-2190 or email <u>aaldridge@semo.edu</u> if you have any questions about the Fall Career Expo or recruiting at SEMO.

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 good information on our <u>Ed Prep Facebook page</u>. Please share and like this page! If you have any items to post, please submit them to <u>edprep@semo.edu</u>!

Employment Information – New Southeast Handshake Employment Site

New full and part-time positions are posted at <u>Handshake</u>. You can also check out <u>Missouri</u> Teaching JOBS or MOREAP.net.