

Teacher Preparation News

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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 **Wednesday** 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 past newsletters <http://semo.edu/education-health/edu-prep/news.html>.*

Wednesday, July 1: Upcoming Virtual PD Opportunity - IgnitED

All P-12 teacher candidates, P-12 educators, and education faculty are invited to a day of learning ignited regarding 2020 changes on Wednesday, July 1, sponsored by the Jackson School District. For more information, view this [link](#). To register click [here](#).

Thursday, July 9: Next Teacher Preparation Newsletter for Summer will be Published

The next summer Teacher Preparation Newsletter will be published on Thursday, July 9. Submission requests for this issue is due by the Wednesday prior to the publication. The fall edition will be published beginning the week prior to classes. Should anything urgent come up during that period of time, special announcements will be made.

Tuesday/Wednesday, July 14-15: Virtual South Central Learning Summit

The South Central Learning Summit is a free virtual professional development opportunity being offered by the South Central RPDC July 14 & 15. For more information, click on this [link](#).

New EDvolution Center Newsletter

Click on this [link](#) for the EDvolution Center Newsletter.

New EDvolution Center Tech Tip

View Pure allows you to strip the clutter from YouTube videos with just a couple of clicks. For more information, see the video below.

[ViewPure](#)

EDvolution Center Updated Hours of Operation

The EDvolution Center is now open by appointment only, M-F, 8-4. If you have equipment checked out through the EDvolution Center, please email us at edvolution@semo.edu to make an appointment to return the equipment as soon as possible.

MoCA Testing Information

The Pearson testing company has been able to open several testing centers with social distancing and other safety measures in place. The Southeast MO State Testing Center is open with limited seating and test dates. To register for an exam please use the [MEGA test website](#). If you need additional help to register for an exam at the Southeast MO State Testing Center, you can call 573-651-2836 or email testingservices@semo.edu.

The following revised or new MoCA exams will be released on January 11, 2021:

- Elementary Education 1-6
- Biology 9-12
- Chemistry 9-12
- Physics 9-12

- ❑ Earth Science 9-12
- ❑ Reading Specialist K-12 (New Assessment)
- ❑ School Leaders (New Assessment)

Change in Technology Requirement for Education Majors

Education majors must have a mobile device for their course work, but may now choose to use any device, such as a laptop, and not exclusively iPads. Education majors are required to have a device in class when they take their first pre-education course, such as ED 280 Introduction to Education as a Profession. Cell phones are not an acceptable device. The device must meet specifications needed for education courses, and the details of these specifications can be found on the EDvolution Center website at this [link](#).

Are you Eligible to Student Teach During the Spring 2021 Semester?

If so, applications opened **May 11, 2020**. The deadline to apply is **September 7, 2020**.

Complete the online application by following the instructions found here:

<https://semo.edu/education-health/edu-prep/studentteach/apply.html>. Every student eligible for student teaching should already be in the system. To log-in, you will need to click on "Forgot your Password?" to receive an email to reset your password. Once you reset your password and log back into the system, click on the "Student Teaching" drop down box on the left side of the screen. Then click on "Application" to apply.

Please be aware that the deadline to apply for your substitute certificate to receive it in enough time to submit it with your application, is **July 27, 2020**. Follow this link to apply for your substitute certificate: <https://dese.mo.gov/educator-quality/certification/checklist-substitute-teachers> .

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, 2020** deadline!!! Follow this link to register for the MoCA exams:

http://www.mo.nesinc.com/PageView.aspx?f=HTML_FRAG/GENRB_TestDatesAndSites.html.

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.

Scholarship Opportunities

Please view the following link <https://semo.edu/education-health/scholarships.html> for a list of scholarship opportunities.

Employment Openings

When the Office of Educator Preparation receives notice of employment openings, those are listed here: <http://semo.edu/education-health/jobs/index.html>. New full-time positions are now posted at REDHAWKjobs.com.