

# Teacher Preparation News

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*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. **All submissions should be 800 characters or less.** \*\*\*Some newsletter hyperlinks are not compatible with iPad\*\*\* Follow this link for past newsletters <http://semo.edu/education-health/edu-prep/news.html>.*

## Free Google Certified Educator Training Workshops

Jana Gerard, Coordinator of the EDvolution Center and a Certified Google Trainer, is offering Google Certified Educator Training! These workshops are designed to help you integrate Google classroom tools into your practices as many school districts are using G Suite for Education. This is also great training for the Level I Google Certification Exam, which is a great resume builder for students! The workshops are free, and there are vouchers available for the exam, which you will do on your own. There are limited seats if you are interested. Dates and times are listed on the sign-up Forms. To access the sign-up Forms or for more information, the workshop flyer can be found at [bit.ly/GSUFA19](http://bit.ly/GSUFA19) (it is case sensitive)!

## Tuesday, September 3: Percussion Drum Circle Tonight

A list of relevant music events open to educator preparation students and faculty are listed below. For more information, click [here](#).

- 9/3 -Percussion Drum Circle (9/10 & 9/17), River Campus Center, Room 120. 6:30 p.m. /Free
- 9/7- Toot Suite, Shuck Recital Hall, 3:00 p.m. / \$10
- 9/15-Symphony Sampler, Shuck Recital Hall, 3:00 p.m. / Free Admission
- 9/22-Artemisia Vocal Trio, Shuck Recital Hall, 3:00 p.m. / \$15

## Wednesday, September 4: Social Studies Educators Association First Fall Meeting

The Social Studies Educators Association will hold their first meeting of the year on Wednesday, Sept. 4 from 12 p.m.-1 p.m. in Carnahan 112. This group is open to all current and prospective social studies education majors. Come enjoy some snacks, get to know other students in the major, and find out about the fun things we have planned for this year, including a trip to the Missouri Council of Social Studies conference in February in St. Louis! Contact Dr. Kisat at [ckisat@semo.edu](mailto:ckisat@semo.edu) with questions.

## Tuesday, September 10: Next ASCD Meeting

The September ASCD: Teachers of Tomorrow meeting will be Tuesday, September 10 in Scully 316 at 6:30 p.m. The October and November meeting locations are TBA.

### Upcoming Meetings/Events:

- October 15, Joint meeting with KDP
- October 18, Annual Trivia Night Fundraiser (7-9 p.m. – The Concourse).
- November 20, Joint meeting with SMSTA

## **Warning: Do not contact schools about field placements**

Teacher candidates should not contact schools regarding the scheduling of field placements. Only the Office of Field Experiences should be making those contacts. School administrators have explicitly asked that communication with them go through a single office. Failure to follow this protocol may undermine the ability of the Office of Field Experiences to make placements in a particular school and may, also, result in the offending student being prohibited from taking part in a field experience during the current semester.

## **Revised Teacher Preparation Program Handbook**

The Teacher Preparation Program Handbook has been revised and is available [here](#). It contains information about nearly all aspects of the Teacher Preparation Program. If you have a question about the program, check the Handbook first.

## **Teach English in Vietnam!**

Aurora Group is seeking teachers to teach English in Ho Chi Minh City. The cost of living is low in Vietnam and Ho Chi Minh is a developing city with lots of social life opportunities. If interested, please contact Linh Tran at [auroragroup.hr@gmail.com](mailto:auroragroup.hr@gmail.com) or to Judith Crenshaw at [crenshawj@capetigers.com](mailto:crenshawj@capetigers.com).

## **Substitute Teachers Needed**

Oran R-III School District needs substitute teachers! Please contact Joe Shoemaker for more information at [jshoemaker@oran.k12.mo.us](mailto:jshoemaker@oran.k12.mo.us) or at (573)262-3345.

## **Chalk & Wire**

An active Chalk & Wire license is required for all courses taken after admission to the Teacher Preparation Program. The license must be purchased from the University bookstore during the first month of the first semester in the program (e.g. Literacy Block and Ped 1 semesters). Once purchased, the license must be activated. Please refer to this document: <http://userguide.chalkandwire.com/m/Student>. Chalk & Wire is used in a variety of ways in the Teacher Preparation Program, including field experience assignments. Teacher candidates must have a Chalk & Wire license in order to be assigned to a field experience this semester.

## **Background Checks**

If you are planning to do field work in PreK-12 school buildings during the fall 2019 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. Background checks obtained for Southeast Missouri State University are valid for up to one year, if obtained prior to September 2018. If a background check was obtained for Southeast Missouri State University after September 2018, it will have no expiration. For the fall 2019 semester your background check must be valid until the end of the semester (December 13, 2019). To see if your background check is up-to-date you can go to the following website: [http://cstl-coe.semo.edu/fieldexperiences/new\\_redhawk/index.php/Home](http://cstl-coe.semo.edu/fieldexperiences/new_redhawk/index.php/Home) . To update your background check, you must go to the following website: <https://semo.edu/education-health/edu-prep/backgroundcheck.html> and follow the directions provided.

## **Scholarship Opportunities**

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

## **Employment Opportunities**

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

## **Teacher Candidate Presentations, Recitals, Exhibitions, etc.**

If you know of an upcoming event involving one or more teacher candidates (e.g. academic presentation, recital, art exhibition, etc.), please send notice of the event to [edprep@semo.edu](mailto:edprep@semo.edu). We'd like to publicize these events so that members of the educator preparation program community can attend.