

Teacher Preparation News

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*If you have news that would be useful to teacher candidates, contact Ms. Sherry Holder (sholder@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 iPads*** Follow this link for past newsletters <http://semo.edu/education-health/edu-prep/news.html>.*

Friday, January 18/20: Opera Theatre Production

La Périchole (the Street Singer) – Follow the adventure of two young street musicians hoping to marry while avoiding imperious politicians. This Opera Theatre Production will perform at 7:30 p.m. in the Bedell Performance Hall. There is a cost to attend. **Music Education students will be participating in this production.**

Saturday, January 26: Columbia Public Schools Job Fair/Interview Day

Columbia Public Schools is holding their annual Job Fair/Interview Day for pre-K-12 teachers, guidance counselors, special education teachers and more on January 26, 2019. This job fair is hiring those for the 2019-20 school year. Schedule your interview today. Go to this [website](#), apply for a position, select career day (under menu), find your content area, pick a time slot, save! Walk-ins are welcome! For more information, contact Jessica Berchman at 573-214-3470 or jberchman@cpsk12.org.

Tuesday, January 29: Percussion Ensemble Drum Circle

Percussion Ensemble Drum Circle in collaboration with Cape Girardeau Parks and Recreation Department will perform at 6:30 p.m. at the Dobbins River Campus in Room 120. This is a family-friendly evening of hands-on community drumming and is open to ages 12 and older. The admission is Free. **Music Education students will be participating in this ensemble.**

Teacher Preparation Program – New MoGEA Requirements for Admission

The MoGEA scores required for admission to the Teacher Preparation Program have been lowered. The new scores for admission are:

Reading: 202

Writing: 193

Mathematics: 200

Science & Social Studies: 204

- This change will take place immediately.
- If a student was previously provisionally admitted because of MoGEA scores, their application will be automatically reviewed, and the student will be notified by email of their new admittance status.
- If a student was previously denied admission because of MoGEA scores, they will need to email (no phone calls please) Alicia Lincoln (aelincoln@semo.edu) to determine they are now eligible for admission.

Background Checks

If you are planning to do field work in PreK-12 school buildings during the spring 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. For the spring 2019 semester your background check must be valid until the end of the semester (May 10, 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.

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.

Chalk & Wire Information

Starting in spring 2019, all teacher candidates will be required to purchase a license to use the Chalk & Wire assessment system. Please read the memo here to learn more:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ffBaJk1yPgsoxQYIK8OkHsCaFSHWU-6s6WdH73EQcz4/edit?usp=sharing>

New Scholarship Opportunity

Please view the following link <https://semo.edu/education-health/scholarships.html> for a list of scholarship opportunities. The Missouri Association of Rural Education (MARE) Rural Missouri Scholarship Fund has just posted and applications must be postmarked by March 29, 2019 to be eligible.

Updated Tutoring Opportunity Information

There is a tutoring opportunity available with a 4th grade student who needs extra help with 2-digit x 2-digit multiplication, as well as basic division and long division. You would be working with the student weekly or bi-weekly throughout the semester. Times would be set up based on you and the family's preferences. If you are interested, please contact the student's teacher, Loree Akers, at South Elementary for more information at

lakers@jr2mail.org.

Volunteer Opportunity

Prodigy Leadership Academy is looking for volunteers for their Good Samaritan Friday Program. As a volunteer you would act as a teacher assistant gaining hands-on classroom experience, service hours, and a potential resume reference. The curriculum is taught through project-based learning and the theme for this semester is community service. Therefore, field trips will be a common part of the day. The G.S. Friday Program occurs every Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. As a volunteer you can choose the days and how many hours you wish to volunteer. If you are interested, please contact Courtney McVeigh via email at c.mcveigh@goprodigy.org.

IdentoGO Fingerprinting and Background Checks Available On-Campus

Fingerprinting and criminal background checks are now available at Testing Services. Hours for services are 8:30 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. To preregister and schedule appointments, visit <https://www.machs.mshp.dps.mo.gov>. Walk-ins are also accepted, however people with scheduled appointments will take priority. The cost is currently \$41.25. IdentoGo only accepts debit/credit cards. Testing Services cannot charge student accounts, take cash, or accept personal checks. For more information, call Testing Services at (573) 651-2836.

Substitute Teaching Opportunity

The Jackson R-2 School District is looking for substitute teachers. This is a great opportunity to gain valuable in-class experiences. Follow this link to learn more: <https://jacksonr2.tedk12.com/hire/index.aspx>.

Do you have an EDvolution T-shirt?

EDvolution T-shirts are available in all sizes for only \$10! Stop by the Office of Educator Preparation (Scully 301) to purchase yours today! Cash only.

Looking for a Job? Check Here for 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>.

Materials Available for MoGEA and MoCA Preparation

The EDvolution Center has flash cards available to assist with preparing for the MoGEA and MoCA exams. These materials may be checked out. Student groups are welcome to check out a set for group study sessions. A set of materials for programs offered at the regional campuses are also available.

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 Ms. Sherry Holder at sholder@semo.edu. We'd like to publicize these events so that members of the educator preparation program community can attend.