

School of Education

Today is August 8, 2014

Dates - 0

No new dates. You put all the dates from last week in your calendar, right?

Updates - 2

1. The online add/drop policy is not ready for prime-time yet. We will still be using the paper forms for fall, 2014.

2. The "Student Services" tab structure in BlueView has been reorganized as follows:
Student Records Office
Resources Channel
- Transcripts Official and Unofficial
- Proof of Enrollment
- Graduation Application
- Link to Student Records Website
Registration & Scheduling Resources Channel

- Registration tools
- Degree Audit
- My Schedule (two view options)
- Drop/Add Course
- Withdraw from all Courses
- J-Term Information
- Additional Registration Information

Student Grades (Unchanged)
Academic Profile (Unchanged)
Employment & Internship Information Channel
- Links to Career bluePrint system
- Office contact information and description of Career bluePrint
Personal Information

from the Dean's desk...

Provost Jones and the Deans meet today for their annual retreat and the SOE Dean's Council will do the same on Tuesday afternoon. The results from the recent faculty and staff survey will be reviewed to help guide future discussion about goals for the upcoming year.

John Wood will begin his dual appointment the week after next. As soon as his exact schedule is set, we will let you know. In the meantime, he is finishing the important installation of our Lecture Capture systems and doing what he can to help prepare for the upcoming classes. Additional staff have been added to the Help Desk so this might be a good time to try that system. The number to call is 271-3001.

Finally, I have asked Valerie Thacker to prepare a short contact directory with basic information about all SOE faculty and staff AND, the names, assignments and contact information for the other departments across campus where many new positions and re-assigned personnel are new to us.

Thanks to Chuck Sengstock and Terry Thorpe for traveling to every AEA and agency partner in Iowa where we offer continuing education credit. They are working through a year of transition to new course designations and requirements and have done it the Drake way...in person with advance information and the offer of continual assistance with course development and oversight.

Jan McMahon, Dean of the School of Education

Reminder -1

Parking hangtags are now for sale online through blueView for a mere \$160.00 for the entire academic year – go to the "My Drake Account" tab, and then there is a "Parking Tools" channel (box). They will be available for purchase in person beginning August 15 from the Student Services Office which is now located in the lower level of Carnegie. In order to avoid a ticket, have a new parking hangtag in your car by August 25.

Spotlight

App review - 2

Share your favorite apps for future newsletters. In the meantime, considering checking these out:

CamCard is a free app that scans business cards and puts the information in your contacts

Calm.com is a website and there is also an app associated with it, which is free at the basic level. You get a nature scene with

Resources Channel
- Contact Information, View and Update
- Parent/Family Access Authorization
Student Service Quicklinks Channel
Student Health Insurance Channel
- Updated information from Dean of Student Office

Humorous interlude

Type "why is" into the Google search bar and see how it anticipates you might finish the question. These suggested endings are the same for everyone and based on most frequent endings to "why is" on Google. Hmmm...

appropriate sounds (nature sounds or music) and there is a timing feature so you can be calm for up to 20 minutes at a time!

Links -3

1. August, 2014 BOEE newsletter
<http://iowaboee.files.wordpress.com/2014/08/boee-newsletter-august-2014.pdf>
2. Stay up-to-date on what's going on at the STEM hub <https://scstemhub.drake.edu/>
3. Useful article on effects of stress and how to remain calm with advice that you may or may not agree with – but the real question is: how many of them do you practice? <https://www.linkedin.com/today/post/article/20140805002649-50578967-how-successful-people-stay-calm>

Drake University Head Start featured in Quick Bites newsletter

Head Start more than just education

Drake University Head Start has served children and families in the state of Iowa since 1975.

The Head Start program is designed to promote the school readiness of children, ages birth to five years old, from low-income families by enhancing their cognitive and social/emotional competence.

Head Start provides comprehensive services to enrolled children and their families, including health, nutrition, social, and other services determined by a family needs assessment. Drake University Head Start is funded to serve 926 at-risk children in six counties (Polk, Boone, Warren, Jasper, Marion, and Story - Ames only).

While it is true that funding for Head Start comes from federal support, "in-kind" donations are needed as well to keep Head Start going. For every \$1.00 of federal money that is received, Head Start is required to find a 25¢ in-kind match. In-kind support can be donated time, space, or services that are provided by parents and the community.

By donating time, funds, and expertise; donors and volunteers make it possible for Head Start to extend programs and initiatives far past what budget or staffing restraints might otherwise allow.

When you give to Head Start, you are truly giving back to your community and investing in its most valuable resources - children and families. Without this support, Head Start would not be able to keep going.

