

# School of Education

Today is January 16, 2015

#### **Dates**

Jan 19. Drake closed. Jan 29, 2 pm. PE/Health candidate presentation by Evelyn Gordon. Feb 5, 2 pm. PE/Health candidate presentation by Ed Thomas. Faculty meetings for Spring, 2015 (check your calendars): January 27, February 24, March 24, April 21, May 12

## Spotlight

Opposite are some Jterm trip pictures from top to bottom - (1) Brazil, (2) Cyprus, and (3) Finland and (4) Belize. Recognize anyone? Where would you rather be? Stay tuned for pictures from Hawii and the Bahamas (in case these four aren't compelling enough!) Keep those pictures





coming, J-term travellers, and be safe!

### Classroom clickers

Are you or have you been using classroom clickers? The technology is changing. Suzanne Hess has lots of detail. Catherine Gillespie also has information if you are interested in learning more.





#### Media - 3

1. 1.15.2015 = Cedar Rapids Gazette Branstad budget does not match regents' proposal: Regents still hopeful Legislature will 'fully implement' funding

By Vanessa Miller, The Gazette The Board of Regents praised the governor's 2016 budget proposal this week for its support of a third-straight tuition freeze and its 'endorsement' of a new regent-backed funding model.

However, the governor's budget does not shift resources among

lowa's three public universities according to the regents' proposed funding metrics.

It also does not provide the \$12.9 million the Board of Regents requested to roll out its enrollment- and performance-based funding metrics. Those would tie 60 percent of state appropriations to resident enrollment, 5 percent to graduate and professional enrollment, and 35 percent to performance metrics - including 10 percent for 'access,' to be measured by enrollment of specific types of students, such as veterans.

Instead, the governor's budget proposes a 1.75 percent funding increase over each public university's 2015 allocation levels. That follows the 'base-plus' model of distributing state appropriations, which has been used since 1945 and keeps the University of Iowa as the top-funded regent institution 2. Gronstal chides Branstad, Republicans over school funding decisions January 12, 2015 By O. Kay Henderson The top Democrat in the Iowa legislature used his opening day speech to challenge Republicans to boost state support of Iowa's public schools. Senate Democratic Leader Mike Gronstal of Council Bluffs said Iowa "needs a larger middle class" and access to good schools is key to that goal. "In the long run, you get what you pay for and we aren't paying for world class schools," Gronstal said. 3. OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Governor Terry E. Branstad « Lt. Governor Kim Reynolds FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Tuesday, Jan. 13, 2015 Contact: Governor's Office, 515-281-5211 Gov. Branstad delivers 2015 Condition of the State: "Together We Can" Branstad calls for forward-thinking action to continue moving lowa forward (DES MOINES) – Gov. Terry E. Branstad today delivered his 2015 Condition of the State Address in front of a joint session of the Iowa Legislature. Branstad's address, titled "Together We Can," is a forward- thinking plan for lowa's future. The governor's plan of action places a focus on infrastructure – both in terms of high-speed broadband internet and funding for lowa's roads and bridges - safe and secure schools and communities, revitalized parks, trails and museums, and increased government transparency. "It matters that we work together," said Branstad in his Condition of the State address. [The] "successes we should serve as guideposts for a familiar journey of coming together to help lowans create more jobs, live better lives and grow prosperity throughout our state."

The 2015 Condition of the State Address can be viewed live here.



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