School of Education

Today is April 3, 2015

Dates

M April 6 9:30 am staff meeting M April 13 programs and offices should get VCR goals entered into the shared googledoc T April 21 2 pm faculty meeting

Cowles library info

Marcia Keyser is our education librarian. She is available to take questions via phone, email, or F2F. Here's a guide to RefWorks from Marcia, which contains instructions on creating accounts, guides to using RefWorks (from basic to advanced) and links to some useful online sources: http://researchguides.drake.edu/refwork

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Week of the Young Child

Celebrate the Week of the Young Child Saturday, April 11, 12:00 – 2:00 pm Meredith Hall, Room 101 Open to students, staff, and faculty Co-sponsored by Mid-Iowa AEYC, Des Moines Public Schools, Drake University Head Start, and

Bias in the workplace workshop

The MSLD program is sponsoring a workshop offered by Amy Pfeiffer and Liz Reneker on Bias in the Workplace on May 12 6:30-8:30 pm in the Olmstead Center, Room CR310. For those of you who haven't seen Amy and Liz's work: That workshop is awesome! Space is limited, so please register quickly. To register, go to http://eepurl.com/bh-UUD.

Global Citizenship conference

Colleagues,

You and faculty and staff from your campus are welcome to join us next month for Central's Conference on Global Citizenship 16-17 April. Each day includes a keynote address and workshops.

Thursday, April 16: The Values of a Global Citizen

with Matt Clark from the Center for Citizen Diplomacy

Friday, April 17: Aligning Study Abroad to Prepare Global and Career-Ready Graduates

with Martin Tillman, President of Global Career Compass

There is no cost to attend the conference; lunch is \$10 each day payable on site. ~Mary

Mary E.M. Strey, Ph.D., Vice President for Academic Affairs and, Dean of the

Iowa Public Television (IPTV)

Please join us for a spring professional development opportunity, "STEM-ming into Early Childhood"

Professionals in STEM-related fields will discuss the multiple avenues for integrating STEM concepts into your early childhood program in ways that are age-appropriate, appealing, and engaging for young children.

Dr. Sarah Derry will conclude the panel presentation with a discussion about the importance of early childhood in Iowa's STEM education and the initiatives available to early childhood educators and providers.

Register at

http://drake.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_0i9Enmw6iPkdbEN.

Lunch available with pre-registration and payment of \$10 fee.

Publication

Circles of Ethics: The Impact of Psychological Proximity on Moral Reasoning by Cris Wildermuth, co-authored with one of our alumni, Tim Kozitza (the original data collection was conducted as part of his Capstone study for the MSLD), and the other co-author is Cris's brother Carlos de Mello e Souza has been accepted for publication by the Journal of Business Ethics.

Other faculty articles to share?

EDL in Cedar Rapids

Three overlapping EDL cohorts

Last weekend in Cedar Rapids, for the first time ever, three different educational leadership cohorts overlapped on the same weekend in Cedar Rapids. Jimmy Casas, Randy Peters, and Trent Grundmeyer held an "Ed Camp" format on Sunday where the three cohorts mixed together for activities. The students were very engaged and enjoyed the cross-cohort collaboration.

The collaboration activities provided a minireunion opportunity for Steph Cooper, a student in the CR 10 corhort, who personally recruited three other students who are in the CR 12 cohort.

Anti-bullying and other

Faculty, Central College
Link for more info:
http://www.central.edu/abroad/conference
-on-global-citizenship/

Media - 5

1. Finland's Schools Are Overhauling The Way They Do Things. Here's How http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2015/03/2 8/finland-education-

overhaul_n_6958786.html

The Huffington Post | By Rebecca Klein 2. Science standards meet resistance Evolution, climate change cause concerns

<u>Erin Murphy</u>, Gazette-Lee Des Moines Bureau

March 29, 2015 | 1:00 pm
DES MOINES — State Board of
Education members and some members
of the public are expressing concerns
with including evolution and climate
change in new science standards being
considered for lowa's public schools.
A team of science education leaders from
across the state is determining science
education standards for lowa students.
The standards are a list of science-based
knowledge and skills that public school
kindergarten-through-grade-12 students
will be expected to possess.

The state Board of Education has charged a review team with developing the standards. The team is working off the Next Generation Science Standards, a national program developed in 2013 in conjunction with 26 states, including lowa, and multiple national education organizations.

The review team has the option of adopting the entire Next Generation Science Standards program or making tweaks....Roughly a dozen states have adopted the Next Generation Science Standards.

3. Early school start bill headed to Branstad's desk after Senate leader removes procedural hold

By CATHERINE LUCEY Associated Press

March 31, 2015 - 12:32 pm EDT

legislation

1. Branstad, Reynolds applaud lowa Senate's passage of anti-bullying legislation

(DES MOINES) - Iowa Gov. Terry E. Branstad and Lt. Gov. Kim Reynolds today applauded the Iowa State Senate for passing <u>Senate File 345</u>, a bill that works to prevent bullying in Iowa schools. The bill passed with bipartisan support, 43-7.

2. HOW BILLS FARED THIS SESSION STILL ALIVE

- Expand broadband access in underserved areas
- Assist schools in combating bullying of students
- Bar K-12 schools from starting fall classes before Aug. 23
- Make texting while driving a primary offense/ban handheld cellphone use
- Legalize possession/sale/ use of fireworks
- Rewrite gun laws to allow suppressors
- Expand access/availability of medical cannabis in lowa
- Legalize fantasy sports games
- Require bicycles to have a rear-lighted lamp
- Prohibit sale/possession of powdered/crystalline alcohol
- Bar minors from tanning salons **DEAD**
- Require doctors to show ultrasound image to a women before abortion
- Raise state minimum hourly wage
- Recraft collective bargaining law regarding teachers
- Ensure legislative oversight of Medicaid managed care transformation
- Reduce penalty for first-time marijuana possession
- Bar mental health professionals from engaging in sexual 'conversion therapy' for minors
- Set insurance requirements/regulations for ridesharing companies such as Uber

MORE ONLINE

For a complete list, go to thegazette.com

DES MOINES, lowa — lowa schools will be able to start the upcoming academic year no earlier than Aug. 23, under a compromise bill that was headed to the governor's desk on Tuesday after Senate Democratic Leader Mike Gronstal withdrew a procedural hold on the legislation.

The state House and Senate gave bipartisan approval to the plan, which sought to find a middle ground between those seeking to give school districts total control over their calendars and others — including Gov. Terry Branstad — who argued that early start dates hurt tourism.

4. lowa School Leader Update for April is now avialable:

https://www.educateiowa.gov/documents/ school-leader-update/2015/04/april-2015school-leader-update

5.lowa's high school graduation rate tops 90 percent

DES MOINES – Iowa's four-year graduation rate has climbed statewide for the fourth year in a row while dropout rates continue to fall, according to figures released today by the Iowa Department of Education.

The data show 90.5 percent of students in lowa's Class of 2014 graduated within four years. "lowans should be proud that our students are graduating high school at some of the highest rates in the country," lowa Department of Education Director Brad Buck said. "While this is great news, we also must continue to look beyond the high school diploma and ensure all students are prepared for college and career training. This is essential for success in an economy where lowa workers compete with others from across the world."

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