

School of Education

Today is August 28, 2015

From the Dean

Our Head Start program is about to give a head start to students by opening a classroom in Oak Academy at 1401 Center Street in downtown Des Moines. Also known as "Silver Oaks", this is the shiny silver building with the playground near many major businesses. The Academy is co-operated now by Homes Of Oakridge and our Drake staff. Congratulations to the SOE Head Start leaders for making this work!

Next weekend, I will be traveling with Matt Hayden and a Drake delegation to Santiago, Chile. We will be working on developing partnerships for faculty and students at the University of the Andes for those wanting a cultural/language intensive experience.

Weitz Construction Co. has been selected as the major contractor for the new building. Weekly planning sessions are held to advance the designs of the technology and interior furnishings. Tonia Land, Trent Grundmeyer and Doris Brunette are the next subcommittee assigned to this phase. Ground breaking/thawing in February?

Congratulations to the men of Phi Delta Theta on the renovation, ribbon-cutting and re-colonization of the Drake Chapter. Many Phi Delta alumni are benefactors to our building project and I am proud to serve as their faculty advisor.

Thanks to the 19 SOE faculty and staff who attended the 3rd annual Learning Symposium last Friday. Even better, Catherine, Wade, Cris, Robyn and Todd were presenters. Always proud of our participation and leadership at the University level!

Glad to see the dorms and parking lots full of students and parents. Hope to see many of you at the opening Convocation in the Knapp Center at 1:30 today.

Dr. Janet McMahon, Dean

Provost Search Committee

Professor Sally Beisser has been appointed to represent the SOE on the Provost's Search Committee. Throughout the fall semester, Sally will be pleased to provide updates and accept input.

Dates

August 31 is the 1st day of classes for the 2015 - 2016 academic year.

What's your new year's resolution?

At 2:30 on the 31st, President Martin will meet with SOE faculty in the Dean's conference room.

Scholarship

IRB is no longer using CITI as the Human subjects online training course. They are now using NIH so when folks have to recertify this is the one to use.

Certifications are good for 3 years.

Course roster validation

Faculty: Submit course validation forms through

Links

1. OnCampus, the Drake University Newsletter:

<http://oncampus.wordpress.drake.edu/>

2. Dyslexia Conference:

http://www.eventbrite.com/e/decoding-dyslexia-iowa-annual-conference-2015-tickets-18087923466?utm_campaign=201308&ref=esfb&utm_source=Facebook&utm_medium=email&utm_content=okenivtefor001

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