

Today is November 18, 2016

## Events

**Mental Health Wellness  
Panel in Sussman Theater  
4:30 — 6:30 pm TODAY**

*Engage with personal  
narratives shared by a panel  
of Drake students who  
struggle with mental illness.  
Learn how to pursue mental  
health wellness for all  
students here at Drake.*

## Thanksgiving

Offices are open until noon  
on Wednesday, November  
23. No classes that day.  
Drake will be closed  
November 24 and 25.

## Developments in Finland

<https://brightside.me/wonder-curiosities/finland-will-become-the-first-country-in-the-world-to-get-rid-of-all-school-subjects-259910/>

## Educational Games needed for children in Honduras

**Make or buy new or used educational games and drop them off in Dr. Gillespie's office by December 14 for Haley**

Dr. Gillespie,

Hello! I hope this email finds you well. I'm sure you are busy as always. I'm nearing the end of my first month in Honduras! It's been going really well and I am so thankful to be living here and getting to work with these kids! I work with a center for street kids, ages 5-19.

One of the biggest problems with the school in the center that I work with is that they lack educational games. I met with the head teacher the other day, and she said she feels like if they had more educational games where the students could put things into practice, it would be really beneficial. She teaches one class of students that are between kindergarten and 8th grade. Because of the big variety, she struggles to have a lot of one-on-one time with the kids. She said that this leads to them getting frustrated easily.

So, I thought I would reach out to you and see if you would be willing to make an announcement to professors to just see if they have any fun educational materials laying around that I could take off of their hands! Examples of things I'm thinking...math fact (wrap-up) keys, probability spinners, bananagrams, math link cubes, etc.

I'll be in Des Moines towards the end of finals week in December and could pick things up if anyone has anything to give! Thanks for your consideration!

Best, Haley Janssen, The Children's Home Project