Today is February 12, 2016

Take your show on the road

There has been a recent increase in the number of inquiries from foreign universities about professional development offerings available from faculty at Drake University in general, and from the School of Education in particular. These requests are varied and often broad. some are for Drake campus-based workshops and others for foreignbased workshops, and the audiences range from university administrators to teacher educators. In order maximize the opportunities for those willing to entertain them, we would like to create a list or 'menu' of professional development offerings for the interested external parties. If you are interested and willing

Free movie

Please consider attending a free screening of the movie Most Likely to Succeed and panel conversation about the themes raised in the film from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Feb. 25 in the auditorium at Hiatt Middle School, 1214 E. 15th Street, Des Moines. This screening is for education, government, business, and community partners. Executive Producer Ted Dintersmith and Jeff Herzberg, Chief Administrator of Prairie Lakes Area Education Agency, will lead the discussion. For most of the last century, entry-level jobs were plentiful and college was an affordable path to a fulfilling career. That world no longer exists. The acclaimed documentary film, Most Likely to Succeed, reveals the growing shortcomings of our traditional school model in today's innovative world. As our world continues to change rapidly, we must figure out how to make school different. Most Likely to Succeed offers an inspiring look at what students and teachers are capable of if we have the vision & courage to transform our schools. Please share this invitation with your employees, students and others at Drake University. We'll look forward to seeing you on February 25! For more information, contact Jeff Herzberg at 515-570-2601.

Teacher Performance Assessment

The lowa Teacher Performance Assessment is a project beginning this spring as a result of the work of the Teacher Quality Project grant. The teacher performance assessment idea began several years ago as a part of the TQP grant. For the next three years, lowa will extend the project through a pilot study and two field trials. We are recruiting beginning teachers to complete the assessment AND we're looking for individuals who may be interested in becoming a rater of the assessment.

Please feel free to check out the website and share this link/information with your networks! http://ia-tpa.com/

Good press

More positive press about the Des Moines alternative contract program, complete with quotes from our very own Petra Lange: http://www.dmschools.org/2016/02/school-begins-for-atc-teachers-at-dmps/?utm_source=2%2F12%2F2016+-

to provide professional development in your areas of expertise, please follow this link to complete a survey that will capture your information and add it to the 'menu'. http://goo.gl/forms/jt3 hnwCkHZ

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This article shows the importance of professional advocacy, developing comprehensive school counseling programs and using data effectively. Also it shows we have a great school counseling program as the highlighted counselors are Drake Alumni! http://amestrib.com/news/school-counselors-play-fundamental-role-student-success

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