

Today is April 28, 2017

## Dates

We're in the home stretch! Get those grades in, get InTASC standards entered if that's part of what you do, do all your end-of-semester stuff and then either take a breather or start revving up for summer!

## Elementary Visitors

Thanks to Trent Grundmeyer and Bridget Aarasmith and lots of other helpers who organized and executed a very special (now annual) visit day for 350 4th and 5th graders from Norwalk and Mitchelville. They patted Grif, ran on the track, toured the campus, and learned about what a day in the life of a Drake college student is like. Chaperoning teachers included two Drake graduate students, one undergraduate student teacher, and a number of alumns. Drake SOE is everywhere!

## Counseling Program honor

The Iowa Mental Health Counselors Association would like to honor Drake for its ongoing support. Drake has produced some very active therapists who have contributed a great deal to our organization. Drake has promoted and encouraged membership and activities that we have hosted and we are so grateful for all that you do for us. We will honor Drake with an award at our annual conference on May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Thank you,

Thank you and congratulations!

Courtney Ackerson, LMHC  
IMHCA Treasurer

## Scholarly Writers Group

The SOE Scholarly Writers Group has opted to continue meeting this summer and fall. Participation is entirely voluntary and consists of two main components: (1) A one-hour per week meeting, the first 10 minutes of which is open forum and the next 50 minutes of which is protected writing time and (2) A google check-in sheet for those who are interested in logging their scholarly writing goals and time and giving and getting encouragement from others. If you have not participated but are interested in doing so, let [catherine.gillespie@drake.edu](mailto:catherine.gillespie@drake.edu) know to be added to the group. All are welcome.

## Bring on the graduation cords

*Students may now wear cords at graduation*

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