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# What's New

*in the Early Childhood & Youth Development Program*

## ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF STUDENTS AND KEEPING YOU "IN THE KNOW"

"When you get involved, you feel the sense of hope and accomplishment that comes from knowing you are working to make things better" -Pauline R. Kezer

### MnAEYC-MnSACA Conference

On Fri. Jan. 30th, the ECYD faculty, Sharon and Dawn, attended the 2015 MnAEYC-MnSACA State Conference. We were joined by 7 Early Childhood & Youth Development (ECYD) student club members.

There were many great sessions to choose from, facilitated by a variety of inspiring professionals in the field, including our very own Sharon Bergen and Cory Woosley!

Our ECYD group gathered again for lunch to debrief a bit about the morning sessions and share in the excitement of the day. After lunch, our students turned in 180 greeting cards for the [Cards for Hospitalized Kids](#) organization. Our ECYD Club, the [DCTC Lions Club](#), and others from [DCTC](#) all participated in the

community service learning opportunity. THANK YOU! The afternoon was filled with more fascinating dialogue and networking.

Read all about the event [HERE!](#)



## DON'T FORGET!

\*Please return your SIGNED policy sheets (in your handbook) to Dawn or Sharon ASAP

\*If you have completed 12 credits and have a **GPA of 3.5 or better**, you are eligible to [join Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society](#)

\*Have you submitted your [Background Study](#) yet? It is MANDATORY in this program!

\***ECYD CLUB PIZZA PARTY is on FRIDAY, MARCH 6th at 12pm in our classroom!!**

← ECYD Group

→ Cards for Hospitalized Kids



## President's Day

The original version of the holiday was in commemoration of George Washington's birthday in 1796 (the last full year of his presidency). Then along came Abraham Lincoln, another revered president and fellow February baby (born on the 12th of the month). The first formal observance of his birthday took place in 1865, the year after his assassination. This has made the third Monday in February a day for honoring both Washington and Lincoln, as well as all the other men who have served as president.



Washington



Lincoln

Have you volunteered lately—on-campus or in your community?

# Writing Center

## Who can use the Writing Center?

All students, in any class, may use the Writing Center.

## What else does the Writing Center do?

The Writing Center offers a resource room stocked with English & Writing resources for students, for all skill levels and abilities. Some of what we have includes handouts, books, and software.



## Do I have to pay?

No, the Writing Center's services are completely free of charge.

Office: 2-141L


Office Phone: 651-423-8581


Appointment Phone: 651-423-8420

- Please schedule an appointment by email, phone, or by stopping into the Learning Center
- Monday-Friday: 8:00am-3:00pm

<http://www.dctc.edu/support-services/learning-center/writing-center/>

## IMPORTANT DATES

 No Class (Holiday)  
2/19

 **Advising Week**  
3/2-3/6  
~Mandatory Appt. Needed~

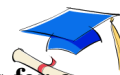
## Advising Week

**Student Advising Week is March 2-6. Sharon Bergen is the advisor for ECYD students last name A-L and all CDA students. Dawn Braa is the advisor for ECYD students last name M-L and all CLA students. Be watching for a sign-up sheet later in the month. It's your responsibility to sign up for an advising time. You need to advise with us in order to register.**

## Pizza Party!

Join the ECYD Club for a **PIZZA PARTY** on **FRIDAY, MARCH 6th** at **12pm** in the **ECYD classroom!!**

## Graduation



**Did you complete the requirements for a certificate, diploma, or degree at the end of this semester? If you answered yes to this question, you need to fill out an application for graduation- even if you plan to continue on for a higher award! Pick up an application at Student Services or online.**

## Communication

As a reminder, our program is implementing a practice of professionalism in all communication formats, including emails and discussion boards. Please format your communication to include the proper level of professionalism. Be sure to check the sentence structure, grammar, and spelling.

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