DON’T FORGET, CLASSROOM ISSUES, WOYC, PTK HONOR SOCIETY

STOUT CONFERENCE, ADVISING, PRACTICUM, GRADUATION, QUOTE OF THE MONTH, DID YOU KNOW?, OPEN HOUSE

What’s New
in the Early Childhood & Youth Development Program

ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF STUDENTS AND KEEPING YOU “IN THE KNOW”

Childhood is the most beautiful of all life’s seasons.

~Author Unknown

Classroom/Lab Issues

As a student, you have made a commitment to your work, classmates, and instructors. Each of us should take pride in this commitment. Are you being a burden or a team player to the other students in your classes? Are your actions supporting or disrupting others?

Ask yourself these questions to determine your classroom/student behavior:

Am I prepared for class? Is my homework/lab ready?

Am I coming to class on time and participating in discussions?

Do I call in to my instructor when I am sick or late?

Do I “cut corners” to save time or do I finish tasks appropriately?

How did you rate? Remember, as you are preparing yourself for the future, professionalism begins now!

The value and importance you place on your classroom experience carries over to your career.

With so many students and teachers using the classroom, it may be time to review some of the procedures for use of machines, materials and supplies.

Students are not allowed to use the laminating machine without instructor permission.

When using the Ellison machines please remember to only pull the handle down only once when you cut, otherwise you wear out the cutting head faster. Students and staff must be responsible for clean up and stocking of the supply cabinet. *Clean your work space before you leave each day.

When is the last time your class did their share?

Thank you for your cooperation!

PTK Honor Society

Remember that any student that has completed a minimum of 12 semester credits and has an overall GPA of 3.5 is eligible to Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society.

The next initiation will be on March 27th at 1pm in the Dakota Room. You may pick up the necessary forms for membership in the Student Services Office.

Be proud of your academic achievement and join the Honor Society!

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*Please return your SIGNED policy sheets (in your handbook) to Jill, Dawn, Sharon or Cory 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

*This week is Advising Week!

*Earn extra credit, attend a student senate meeting!

*Register for STOUT by 3/31

*If you are finishing your certificate, diploma, or AS/AAS degree, remember to fill out an application for graduation!

Week of the Young Child

Week of the Young Child is an annual celebration sponsored by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC). The purpose of the Week of the Young Child is to focus public attention on the needs of young children and their families and to recognize the early childhood programs and services that meet those needs. The theme of the Week of the Young Child is Early Years Are Learning Years. This year, Week of the Young Child is April 14–20. What will YOU do to promote WOYC? Learn more at http://www.naeyc.org/woyc
MARCH is: American Red Cross month, National Craft month, Women’s History month, and Child Life month

Child life professionals specialize in child development and adhere to a philosophy of family centered care. Armed with professional skills and expertise, they work to ease the anxiety experienced by children and families undergoing challenging healthcare experiences and other life events.

Check out the blog for a super line-up of child life guest speakers! blogs.dctc.edu/eycd

STOUT Conference!

Please complete your online registration for the Stout conference by March 1st. The conference is April 26th and we have a bus ordered for our trip. Students must ride the bus if attending with DCTC. Look in the Feb. newsletter for registration information. Talk to Jill/Dawn for more info.

*Attending this conference is optional.

Summer/Fall Practicum I and II

Students may complete their Practicum I & II in the summer or fall semesters IF you’ve already taken the pre-requisite courses.

If you are at a center/program that we have not had students at previously, your director or teacher that will be supervising you will need to attend an info meeting at DCTC in April/May. Students also need to attend the info meeting.

The mandatory SUMMER Practicum (I/II) meeting date will be set in late April/May. Look in the April newsletter for specific date/time.

It is critical that you and your staff member attend the meeting. We give them specific information about expectations for sites working with students. We have found that students meet with much more success when staff has attended this meeting. In-service hours will be awarded to those attending. Please make sure that you provide full names and addresses so that information can be mailed to your program in advance.

PLEASE CONTACT JILL BEHNKE BY MARCH 25th WITH NAME/ADDRESS OF SITE & SUPERVISOR/DIRECTOR.

In order to move forward with placements, communication with site supervisors, etc., students must be registered for Practicum I or Practicum II for summer.

Graduation!

The DCTC Graduation Fair is on March 5 & 6th from 11-1pm in the Central Commons Area.

Visit http://www.dctc.edu/academics/graduation/ for more info.

Students in the News

Voices for Children is a rally that is held annually at the State Capitol. Eleven students from the Early Childhood and Youth Development program at DCTC volunteered at this event.

Read more about their experience on the blog http://wp.me/pUBXw-3Ff

THANK YOU for your service and advocating for our children!!

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Advising Week

It’s Advising Week! (Mar. 7-8) You’ll need an access code to register for classes so be sure to connect with your program advisor if you haven’t already!

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