

THE RIVERHAWK CENTER FOR TEACHER EXCELLENCE



Monthly Newsletter

COMING UP:
 TQ RCTE Resource Fair | Jan. 30
 BA Resource Fair | Feb. 8
 TQ Yappy Hour | Feb. 13
 BA Yappy Hour | Mar. 12

January & February events overview



The RCTE will be hosting a Resource Fair for all Education majors! The Tahlequah fair will be on January 30th and the Broken Arrow fair will be on February 8th. A multitude of campus organizations will be present. This will be an opportunity to learn more about how these organizations can benefit you, both as an NSU student and an Education Major. There will be light refreshments in the center, as well as door prizes!



The Tahlequah RCTE will be hosting "Yappy Hour" on February 13th from 11-1! Studies show that spending time with furry friends has numerous health benefits and can help build social and emotional awareness. Come de-stress with some cute pups and mingle with your fellow education majors. (The Broken Arrow campus will be hosting their "Yappy Hour" event in March). We hope to see you there! Spread the word and invite a friend!



WHO ARE WE?

The RiverHawk Center for Teacher Excellence is a new, grant-funded organization whose aim is to recruit and retain P-12 teachers of diverse backgrounds in an effort to address Oklahoma's teacher shortage and put educators in classrooms whose unique identities reflect that of their students. At our centers on both the Tahlequah and Broken Arrow campuses, we offer a multitude of services such as tutoring, counseling, workshops, scholarships, as well as just a place to hang out and study. We have coffee, tea, snacks, and various school supplies donated especially for Education majors like you!



“ The best teachers are those who show you where to look but don't tell you what to see. ”

-Alexandra K. Trenfor

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO OUR DONORS

IMPORTANT LINKS

Businesses & Organizations:

Metro Merch, Crumbl Cookies, Love Bottling, Target, Arrow Heights Baptist Church, First Baptist Church of Tahlequah, Sunrise Donuts, Countryside Wellness, LLC, The Lift, Tropical Smoothie Cafe, Starbucks, Junie's Closet, QuikTrip, Raising Cane's, McKee Foods.

Individuals:

Sandy Ross, Dee McAffrey, Lauren Ross, Lori Fogerty, April Bardell, Kelly Callaway, Tobi Thomson, Nichole Sumpter, Kristy Eubanks, Emily Blakley



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Light
Shine

update!

Our Academic Coaching services are now available! Several of our coaches will be popping into classes at the beginning of the semester to meet you and let you know a bit more about how our coaching services work. We can't wait to serve students in this unique way! A booking link will be provided soon! In the meantime, please reach out to us if you'd like to utilize our Academic Coaching services.



REMINDER



Please remember to check in every time you visit your respective center using the QR code that applies to you.

Thank you! 😊

ADVICE FROM THOSE

WHO'VE BEEN THERE

We have shared this in a previous newsletter, but we felt that this advice would be particularly useful right now as so many of our students are starting their teaching internships this semester!



Dr. Jericho Hobson:



Nearly every aspect of your first two years of teaching can be overwhelming, it is for everyone, you are NOT alone! BREATHE! You can do this! Take the important time to get to know your students, their families, and their individual stories. Make sure every student feels important and finds personal, academic, and social success in your classroom. Through these intentional efforts you will become a teacher that is remembered for the positive influences on your students' lives!



Dr. Kimberly Phillips:



Always have a plan and have a plan "B". Everyday is a new day in the classroom. Be flexible and allow yourself some grace. Everyone's first year is challenging but embrace it. Learn and grow from it. Remember, we are always here for you (even after graduation).

More volunteer opportunities in BA and Tahlequah coming soon!

WE ARE LOOKING FOR 4 EDUCATION MAJORS IN BROKEN ARROW FOR EACH OF THESE EVENTS AT LOCAL BA SCHOOLS:

**LEISURE PARK
CHEROKEE ELEM.
GREENWOOD ELEM.**

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Full interns will be able to count these 2 hours towards their internship hours