

THE RIVERHAWK CENTER FOR TEACHER EXCELLENCE



Monthly Newsletter

COMING UP:

BA Scholarship Meeting | Nov. 2

RCTE Grand Opening | Nov. 13

Thanksgiving Break | Nov. 22-24

RCTE "Yappy Hour" | Nov. 28

LOOKING BACK

The RiverHawk Center for Teacher Excellence hosted its Resource Fair on both campuses on October 3rd and 4th. It was the first official event that the center has put on and it was a huge success! Organizations such as HawkReach, Career Services, Rowdy Pantry, the RiverHawks Scholar program, the Scholarship Office, and the Writing Center all chipped in to provide valuable resources to our education students. We would like to thank all of the participating organizations as well as the students for attending our first event!

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!

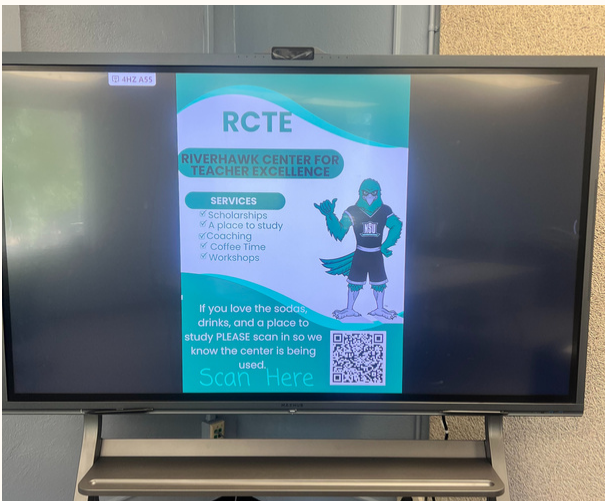


“ The best teachers are those who show you where to look but don't tell you what to see. ”

-Alexandra K. Trenfor

WHAT'S NEW AT BA:

At BA we've added pamphlets informing you of numerous resources that are available to you on campus. Feel free to take one! We've also added lovely Fall decor & YouTube ambiance scenes to set a relaxing atmosphere for those who want to come for a peaceful place to hang out. Keep an eye out for information about our NEW academic coaches who will begin serving students this month! 😊



★ ★ WHAT'S NEW AT TQ ★ ★

This center has hired two new peer tutors, Tamika and Aubrey. They are available Monday through Thursday. Swing by to see how they can help you tackle your coursework this semester! Keep an eye out on the Zoom cart for important updates & announcements. Information about our NEW academic coaches is coming soon! 😊



EVENT SPOTLIGHT

**BROKEN ARROW
SCHOLARSHIP MEETING**
5:30 - 6:30PM



The Broken Arrow RCTE will host a Scholarship Information meeting on Nov. 2nd. The meeting will be virtual through Google Meet. If you plan to attend, please register in advance by scanning the QR code on the left! We'll have a door prize drawing at the end of the meeting as well!



If you can't get the QR code to scan on your phone, try updating your device or email us to register.

ADVICE FROM THOSE

WHO'VE BEEN THERE

Studies have shown that new teachers who are mentored by those with teaching experience have a higher likelihood of remaining in the profession long-term. We asked two faculty members to share important things to keep in mind in your first year as an educator.



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).

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Individuals:

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



The RCTE will host a "Yappy Hour" event on both campuses on Tuesday, November 28th from 11-1. **Please register beforehand using the QR codes below!** We'll have snacks, door prizes, and THERAPY DOGS! The event's theme is "Mental Health in the Midst of Finals" and we'll be partnering with HawkReach.

TAHLEQUAH YAPPY HOUR

BROKEN ARROW YAPPY HOUR



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REMINDER



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

Thank you! 😊

IMPORTANT LINKS

 [@nsu_rcte](#)
 [RCTE Video](#)
 bit.ly.com/teacher_excellence

Let your Light Shine

FREE OSAT REVIEW SESSIONS

TOPIC:	DATE & TIME:
OSAT All Constructed Response	10/4, 5:00 - 7:00
Special Education Mild/Moderate	10/6, 9:00 - 12:00
Elementary Constructed Response	10/6, 6:45 - 8:45
Elementary Reading Sub-Area 1	10/10, 2:00 - 4:00
Early Childhood Competencies I, II	10/12, 4:00 - 6:00
Early Childhood Competencies III, IV	10/26, 4:00 - 6:00
US & OK History/Government/Economics	11/1, 5:00 - 7:30
US & OK History/Government/Economics	11/2, 5:00 - 7:30
US & OK History/Government/Economics	11/4, 9:00 - 11:30
Elementary Math Competencies 5, 6	11/8, 4:00 - 6:30
Elementary Math Competencies 7, 8	11/9, 4:00 - 6:30
Special Education Mild/Moderate	12/8, 9:00 - 12:00

SESSIONS WILL BE HELD VIA ZOOM.
 SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW TO REGISTER
 & RECEIVE THE ZOOM LINKS!



FALL DESSERT RECIPES

- [Apple Spice Cake](#)
- [Butterscotch Pie](#)
- [Pumpkin Spice Bundt Cake](#)
- [Mini Pecan Monkey Bread Loaves](#)
- [Pumpkin Pecan Coffee Cake](#)
- [Apple Butter Cinnamon Rolls](#)

Please join us as we celebrate the

GRAND OPENING

of the

RIVERHAWK CENTER FOR TEACHER EXCELLENCE

NOVEMBER 13TH

Tahlequah, Broken Arrow,
 Bagley Hall: EDUC 243
 10:30AM - 12PM 4:30PM - 6PM

Special guests: The NSU President, Provost, and Dean of the College of Education. A come and go event with light refreshments.

Have a question? We can help! Email us at rcte@nsuok.edu or stop by!