# THE RIVERHAWK CENTER FOR TEACHER EXCELLENCE



Monthly Newsletter

#### **COMING UP:**

BA Resource Fair | Oct. 3

TQ Resource Fair | Oct. 4

RCTE Grand Opening | TBD

Fall Break | Oct. 19-20

## NEW EMPLOYEES



Mallory Buford Peer Tutor

Mallory is a Junior majoring in Early Childhood Education on the BA campus. This is her 9th year teaching preschool and she loves it! She has a husband, as well as 3 active kids who are ages 7, 9, & 11. In her free time she loves to read and bake! FUN FACT: She has a salt & pepper shaker for every season!



Mattison is a Senior majoring in Early
Childhood Education on the BA campus.
She plans to attend graduate school and
get a Masters Degree in School
Administration; her dream job is to be a
principal at an elementary school. FUN
FACT: She has visited every mountain
range in the US!



Tamika Jones Peer Tutor

Tamika is a Tahlequah student majoring in Music Education while also working part-time at a daycare. Being able to foster a child's development through music and caregiving brings her joy. Tamika wants to become an elementary music teacher and share her love of music with students. FUN FACT: she loves road tripping and fishing.

Aubrey Bailey Peer Tutor

Aubrey is a Tahlequah student majoring in Elementary Education. She has extensive experience in working with children—everything from daycares, to tennis lessons, to academics. FUN FACT: she's in the Delta Zeta sorority, her favorite subject is Math, and she has wanted to teach since the second grade.



## 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 provide myriad services such as tutoring, counseling, workshops, scholarships, as well as just a place to hand out and study. We have coffee, tea, snacks, and various school supplies donated especially for Education majors like you!

Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.

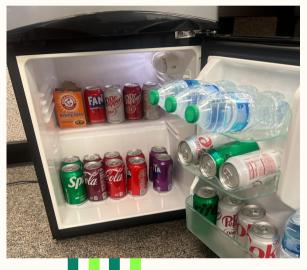
-Nelson Mandela

# WHAT'S NEW AT BA:

More beverage options have been added, namely various types of soda and water! We've also added an "ecofriendly" option for drinking your coffee and tea. If you plan to hang out in the center for a while, try using one of our mugs! When finished, simply place it in the designated box and our staff will clean it for you!







## **★** WHAT'S NEW AT TO ★

We've added various types of soda and water to our new mini fridge. Fanta, Dr. Pepper, Sprite, Diet Coke, you name it! This center has also hired two new peer tutors who are ready to help you tackle your coursework. Swing by in between classes to grab a snack and a drink and say hi!

# EVE

# **SPOTLIGHT**

Both centers will be hosting a Resource
Fair for all Education majors! Broken
Arrow's fair is Tuesday, October 3rd
from 11-1 on the second floor of the
Education building (next to the
advisement office) and Tahlequah's fair is
Wednesday, October 4th, from 12-2 in
Bagley Hall!

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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

# IMPORTANT LINKS



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# FREE OSAT REVIEW

#### TOPIC:

OSAT All Constructed Response
Special Education Mild/Moderate
Elementary Constructed Response

Elementary Reading Sub-Area 1

Early Childhood Competencies I, II

Early Childhood Competencies III, IV

US & OK History/Government/Economics

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Elementary Math Competencies 5, 6

Elementary Math Competencies 7, 8

Special Education Mild/Moderate

#### DATE & TIME:

10/4, 5:00 - 7:00

10/6, 9:00 - 12:00

10/6, 6:45 - 8:45

10/10, 2:00 - 4:00

10/12, 4:00 - 6:00

10/26, 4:00 - 6:00

11/1, 5:00 - 7:30

11/2, 5:00 - 7:30

11/4, 9:00 - 11:30

11/8, 4:00 - 6:30

11/9, 4:00 - 6:30

12/8, 9:00 - 12:00

### **MAINTAINING A**

## **HEALTHY BALANCE**

It's no secret that maintaining a healthy balance between work, school, and your personal life can set you up for success both inside and outside of the classroom. We asked our Peer Tutors on the BA campus for one piece of advice on this topic and here's what they each had to say:

#### Matti's Advice:

Every Sunday, create a list of everything you have to do. Then create a schedule so that everything on your list has a time set aside specifically for that task.



#### Mallory's Advice:

I like to schedule out my week on paper. That way I can see exactly what I am looking at for the week so I can mentally prepare and spread out tasks throughout the week.



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



The RCTE will host a Scholarship Information meeting on Nov. 1st for the Tahelquah campus and Nov. 2nd for the BA Campus. The TQ meeting will be in-person and the BA one will be virtual. More information about this meeting will be provided soon!