



Carole Redwine explains Teacher Education Support Services.

## We're ba-a-a-ack!

Carole Redwine, Teacher Education Support Services

Welcome to all of you for the 2013-14 Academic Year. We hope that your summer was restful and fun, and that you are now ready for a productive fall semester. The Teacher Education Department looks forward to working with you on your journey to an exciting career in teaching. Please take a moment to review this issue for seminar dates, and check out the new MTTC schedule located on the back. Note that computer-based testing is now available. We also want you to take advantage of opportunities to volunteer. One of our TOTS winners volunteered in a special education class last year, and her reflection on that experience is included in this issue. You can get information about volunteering from Teacher Education Support Services in 301 Main or email [credwine@grcc.edu](mailto:credwine@grcc.edu).

Again, welcome back and have a successful year. We'll see you along the way.

## Be in the Know

This year's seminar schedule is all set, with topics for the first two established. On September 17 at 3:30, the first seminar titled *Welcome Back! Have We Got News for You* was held. It was a chance for students to ask questions about the Teacher Education department, find out about scholarships, volunteer opportunities, and more. Refreshments are always served at our seminars, so don't stay away because you're hungry.

The second seminar is our annual Transfer Fair, during which time you can meet with representatives from several Michigan colleges to discuss their transfer requirements for education majors. Don't miss this event, Thursday, October 10; 2-3:30 in Room 122/124, Applied Technology Center.

Other seminar dates for this year are November 5 & 14; February 5 & 19; March 18 and April 10. Look for posters around campus with further details and topics. We want to see you there.

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## 2013-14 Teachers of Tomorrow Scholars



Professor Diane Sparks shares encouraging words with the scholarship winners.

At the annual Teachers of Tomorrow Scholarship Luncheon, held on August 23, fifteen students received recognition for their outstanding academic achievement in teacher education. The students recognized were Tarah Bertsch, Karianne Brown, Amber DeWater, Mayra Gracia, Samantha Kooiman, Ashley Mailn, Tanveer Mangat, Jordan Porter-Kolenda, Michelle Radofski, Holly Reil, Carol Rottman, Kendra Sederholm, Amber Van Dillen, Kathryn Vandenberg, and Evelyn Zurita. In a letter to the recipients, Dr. Joseph Hesse, Scholarship Coordinator, wrote, "By accepting this scholarship, you join an elite group of GRCC students who have dedicated themselves to joining the next generation of teachers. Through hard work and service to our community, you have earned the right to be a Teachers of Tomorrow scholar."

We encourage all of you to reach for excellence so that you too could be a Teachers of Tomorrow scholar. If you know any of these award winners, please congratulate them. If you do not know anyone, then see their success as an example for you to follow. Perhaps next year, your name will be among the growing list of GRCC students who are working hard to be the next generation of outstanding teachers.



2013-14 award winners with GRCC Dean of Arts and Sciences Faculty.



This scholarship recipient sets the example for her young guest.



Dr. Brinks welcomes a Teacher of Tomorrow scholar.

## Volunteering Has Its Rewards

By Lexi Kamps, TOT Scholarship Winner, 2012

This past semester, I was given the wonderful opportunity to volunteer at Martin Luther King Leadership Academy in Mr. Ippel's MoCi (special education) classroom. It was a vibrant classroom, full of students varying in age from 10-15, with different mild cognitive impairments. I was in the classroom for four months, one or two days a week. I volunteered and observed, forming bonds with each of the students. Spending time in this classroom showed me the many dimensions and workings of a successful class. I learned many good tricks and tips, and was also solidified in my career choice as a Special Education teacher. I urge all of you to go out and volunteer in your community because you never know what great blessings await you when you do!

## Teacher Tickle

*The math teacher saw that Larry wasn't paying attention in class, so he called on him and asked, "Larry, what are 2 and 4, 28 and 44?" Without missing a beat, Larry responded, "NBC, Fox, ESPN, and the Cartoon Network."*

## Great Websites for Future Teachers

### Great School Jobs: [www.greatschooljobs.com](http://www.greatschooljobs.com)

Popular for Michigan postings; complete job profile, view job postings. Click View Job Postings, select state, select category.

### Education Bug: <http://michigan.educationbug.org/school-districts>

Michigan School Districts – alphabetically listed

### Michigan Test for Teacher Certification (MTTC): <http://www.mttc.nesinc.com/>

Professional Readiness Exam – required for entrance into all teacher education programs

### Student Aid on the Web: <http://www.studentaid.ed.gov/>

### US Department of Education: [www.ed.gov](http://www.ed.gov)

### Michigan Department of Education: [www.michigan.gov/mde](http://www.michigan.gov/mde)

### Helpful GRCC Webpages:

Education Department: [www.grcc.edu/education](http://www.grcc.edu/education)

Teacher Education Newsletters: [www.grcc.edu/educationandchilddevelopment/resourceroom/teachereducationnewsletters](http://www.grcc.edu/educationandchilddevelopment/resourceroom/teachereducationnewsletters)

Teacher Education Seminar Schedule & Videos: [www.grcc.edu/educationandchilddevelopment/teachereducationseminars](http://www.grcc.edu/educationandchilddevelopment/teachereducationseminars)

Teachers of Tomorrow Scholarship Information: [www.grcc.edu/educationandchilddevelopment/scholarships](http://www.grcc.edu/educationandchilddevelopment/scholarships)

Counseling and Career Services: [www.grcc.edu/counselingandcareercenter](http://www.grcc.edu/counselingandcareercenter)

Transfer Guide: [www.grcc.edu/aboutus/academiccatalog/transferguide](http://www.grcc.edu/aboutus/academiccatalog/transferguide)

Academic Service Learning: [www.grcc.edu/departmentofexperientiallearning/introductiontoservicelearning](http://www.grcc.edu/departmentofexperientiallearning/introductiontoservicelearning)



Staci Dever explains teacher education websites to seminar attendees.

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# MICHIGAN TEST FOR TEACHER CERTIFICATION 2013–2014 Test Schedule

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With just a click of your mouse you can:

- Find all the information you need to register
- Register online quickly and easily
- Check your registration status
- Make changes to your registration
- Find materials to help you prepare for the test
- Get your test scores as soon as they are released



Complete  
Registration  
Information  
Online



## Test Dates for Paper-Based Testing

Test Date	Regular Registration Deadline 	Late Registration Deadline (additional fee applies) 	Emergency Registration Deadline (additional fee applies)  	Score Report Date
Oct. 5, 2013	Aug. 30, 2013	Sept. 13, 2013	Sept. 27, 2013	Nov. 1, 2013
Jan. 4, 2014	Nov. 22, 2013	Dec. 13, 2013	Dec. 27, 2013	Jan. 31, 2014
April 12, 2014	Feb. 28, 2014	Mar. 21, 2014	April 4, 2014	May 9, 2014
July 12, 2014	May 30, 2014	June 20, 2014	July 3, 2014	Aug. 8, 2014

The deadline for submission of requests and all necessary documentation for alternative testing arrangements is the regular registration deadline. Because of space, staff, and time constraints, there can be no assurance that requests received after this deadline can be accommodated.

**NOTE:** Score information is not available at the Michigan Department of Education until 72 hours after the score report date.



## Computer-based testing is now available. Check the website for test availability.

Month	Testing Window Monday–Saturday, excluding holidays, unless otherwise noted	Score Report Date
August 2013	August 22–24, 26–28, 2013	September 25, 2013
September 2013	September 19–21, 23–25, 2013	October 23, 2013
November 2013	November 21–23, 25–27, 2013	December 24, 2013
December 2013	December 12–14, 16–18, 2013	January 15, 2014
February 2014	February 13–15, 17–19, 2014	March 19, 2014
March 2014	March 13–15, 17–19, 2014	April 16, 2014
May 2014	May 15–17, 19–21, 2014	June 18, 2014
June 2014	June 12–14, 16–18, 2014	July 16, 2014
August 2014	August 14–16, 18–20, 2014	September 17, 2014
September 2014	September 18–20, 22–24, 2014	October 22, 2014

### CONTACT FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you have questions regarding **test registration**, **administration procedures**, **admission tickets**, or **score reports**, contact:

**Michigan Test for Teacher Certification  
Evaluation Systems  
Pearson  
P.O. Box 660  
Amherst, MA 01004-9001**

**Telephone: (413) 256-2876 or  
(800) 823-9225**



**Scan me**  
for up-to-date  
program information.



If you have questions regarding **which test(s)** you must take, contact your advisor or the certification officer at your institution.

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