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News and Updates

CCTE – California Council Teacher Education

A message from Cynthia Grutzik CCTE President

We again encourage program leaders to consider becoming part of the larger teacher education community by attending the upcoming CCTE Spring Conference in San Jose – April 11-13. Registration information is located at <http://ccte.org>. What can CCTE do for you? Professional networking and partnership-building. At our biannual conferences you'll find deans, professors, K-12 teachers and teacher associations, BTSA leaders, CTC consultants, and district administrators. We are large enough to draw a varied state-wide constituency, yet small enough that you'll find colleagues, renew connections, and get your work done and receive information on state-wide policy initiatives. During the Policy Sessions at each conference, you will get updates from the Commission on Teacher Credentialing and will hear from a policy advocate or legislator. Our priority is to be an active voice in the state, advocating for all aspects of educator preparation through growing-edge research and best practices. Our organization promotes highly professional conversation around educator preparation, and gives opportunities for multiple perspectives to be heard and engaged. Each biannual conference begins with affiliate meetings, and you'll be able to hear about current issues, concerns, and activities before the full conference begins. These affiliations include: ICCUCET, CAPSE, CABTE, AACTE, and ATE. Finally, look to CCTE for a friendly and dedicated professional environment where you'll find like minds, an energetic and approachable group of colleagues, and plenty of opportunities to get involved and to have an impact on educator preparation in the state.

Committee on Accreditation Member Nominations

Nominations are currently open for membership in the COA. One member representing K-12 will be selected from the list of nominees as well as two members representing postsecondary education. COA members serve a term of four years. Nominees will be selected based on their distinguished records of accomplishment in education. Nomination materials must be received at the Commission by 5:00 p.m. February 22, 2013. Nomination information can be found on the Accreditation webpage: <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/educator-prep/program-accred.html>
It is important to have teachers on the COA...consider nominating some support providers or former PTs who would like to do this.

Stakeholder Feedback Invited on Revisions to the California Teaching Performance Expectations

The Commission is seeking feedback from stakeholders regarding revisions to California's Teaching Performance Expectations (TPEs). On September 20th and October 29th, 2012, a panel of expert stakeholders met with CTC staff to revise and update the TPEs to align with the California Common Core State Standards as well as to include the concept of "Academic Language" across the curriculum. The link below will connect you to a survey for reviewing the proposed revisions and

providing feedback to the Commission.

http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/California_Teaching_Performance_Expectations_Survey

Thank you in advance for completing and submitting this survey. The closing date for completing this Feb. 10th, 2013.

What's Happening this Month in MCOE-TCP:

Teachers in their first year of the program have now completed the first two modules of the FACT curriculum (Formative Assessment for California Teachers). They will now be participating in their third seminar that is focused on how to create a good inquiry question. A good inquiry question is one that is meaningful to them, focused on a self-identified area of growth, founded on demonstrating and applying both the CSTP and Induction Standards, has a measureable answer, and is not a question they have the answer to. TC's are asked to send their question to their Program Advisor in advance. Upon approval, they then begin a 6-8 week action research project to learn about different ways to best meet the needs of their diverse learners – and find an answer to their question! Teachers in their second year, will be starting their second inquiry of the year (third and final of their induction process).

YOU ARE INVITED!!!

Kendall Zoller, author of *Choreography of Presenting*, will be coming to MCOE on March 23rd, from 8:30-12:30. This training is valuable for anyone who teaches, presents, or facilitates meetings. Please see the attached flyer for more information and register soon – seating is limited!

January and February Professional Development:

- **Support Provider Forums:** Jan. 16th (MCOE), Jan. 23rd (SBHSD), Jan. 31st (MCOE)
- **Expert Panel Discussion:** Jan. 30th (King City)
- **Ability Awareness, with Nancy Myer:** Jan. 31st, (MCOE)
- **Cluster 2 Regional Meeting with guest speakers Anna Moore and Cynthia Balthaser on *Building Capacity with SP/Mentor Forums*:** Jan. 30th-31st (Redwood City)
- **Technology in the Classroom, with Martin Cisneros:** Feb. 5th (MCOE)
- **Have Hard Conversations II, with Jennifer Abrams:** Feb. 20th (MCOE)