

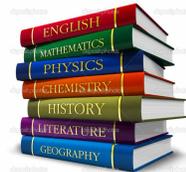
T.E.A.C.H. TALK



T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood® Delaware Newsletter

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ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF T.E.A.C.H. SCHOLARS
AND KEEPING YOU "IN THE KNOW"



Forms & Deadlines

Form Bs (Books)

For years the T.E.A.C.H. staff has been telling scholars to send in Form Bs even if books were not purchased for the semester. Still at the end of each semester we have many scholars who did not need to purchase books and did not turn in their forms! The staff is frustrated. We are required by T.E.A.C.H. National to have a Form B on file for EVERY T.E.A.C.H. scholar. Whether you have purchased books or not, we need you to send in your Form B and receipts at the beginning of the semester not at the end!!

The T.E.A.C.H. database will not allow us to approve claims for the next semester until all scholars have turned in their forms for the previous semester. For example, the staff could not begin to approve book claims for summer until the first week in June because we had to wait for the 15 to 20 individuals who had not turned in Form Bs for spring. This is not fair to the individuals who turn in their forms on time. We do not want to institute absolute deadlines yet.

This would mean that after a certain date we would stop accepting forms. Please we do not want to resort to this.

At the beginning of a semester or block, TURN IN YOUR FORM B & RECEIPTS!!

Form Cs (Release Time)

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T.E.A.C.H. is also required to have a Form C in each recipient's file if the recipient contractually can receive release time. We need the form whether you took release time during the semester or not. This form is due IMMEDIATELY at the end of each semester.

Grades

T.E.A.C.H. staff cannot make a semester complete without grades!!! At the end of each semester you must remember to send us your grades. We do not need an official transcript. You can download them from your school account.

Bonus

In order to receive a bonus from T.E.A.C.H. you should have:

Turned in all your paperwork each semester.
(Schedule/bill, Form B, Form C, and grades)

Received all Cs and above.

Taken at least 9 credits during the year.

Paula Holloway, T.E.A.C.H. Coordinator, Moving On

Paula's last day at DAEYC will be Tuesday, June 7. She has accepted a position in Sussex County. Her husband was diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease three years ago. The couple built their retirement home in Bethany Beach a year ago. Since then Paula has been splitting work time between Wilmington and Bethany Beach. Unfortunately for T.E.A.C.H., the time has come for Paula to stop her weekly trek to Bethany and stay permanently in Sussex County working and taking care of her husband. *"I have truly loved my job as T.E.A.C.H. Coordinator. I am proud of all the T.E.A.C.H. scholars who are working hard to obtain their degrees and improve the quality of early learning in Delaware."*



Early Childhood Advocacy Day 2016 A Brighter Future - Invest in Early Learning NOW!

The Delaware Association for the Education of Young Children (DAEYC) proudly announces the success of 2016's Advocacy Day. On May 4th, early learning advocates came out to show their gratitude for Governor Markell's proposed budget and to thank legislators for supporting early learning in Delaware.

The day of events kicked off with the Delaware Readiness Team's celebration with over 120 people in attendance and a meeting of the Delaware Early Childhood Council. Events continued with a rally where, despite the rain, nearly 100 people came out. More than a dozen advocates were able to speak directly to their legislators, and the advocacy work continues with seven child care center visits for legislators in the coming weeks.

If you would like to participate in early childhood advocacy you can become a DAEYC member and/or serve on the advocacy committee. There are many ways to become an early learning champion, including simply sharing advocacy resources with your networks. An infographic and Power Point presentation have been created to be distributed. Also, visit the Great Starts Facebook Page to watch and share their new Great Starts video series advocating for high quality early childhood education in Delaware.

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