



T.E.A.C.H. Monthly News & Updates, December 2016

Fall 2016 Grades



The semester is drawing to an end, don't forget to submit your grade reports to Lynn as soon as possible!

Upon completion of each semester, the recipient must submit the grade for each registered course. T.E.A.C.H. will accept a printout of the grade from the college website or an unofficial transcript as long as it states the student's name, semester, course name and number, and the grade. No bonus will be issued without

all grade reports submitted for the scholarship contract.

To remain a T.E.A.C.H. scholarship recipient, you must maintain a GPA of 2.0. If your GPA is less than a 2.0, your T.E.A.C.H. contract will be terminated.

Prerequisite courses at Delaware Technical Community College are excluded in the GPA calculation.

New procedures for 2017

T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood® Delaware has been working to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of our policies and procedures and working to ensure that they are aligned with T.E.A.C.H. National's expectations and best practice.

Starting with Spring 2017, all tuition claims will be held as pending until tuition bills are received from the college/university. This means that all travel and book reimbursements will be held until the end of the semester. This will allow for fewer adjustments to student and sponsor accounts as we often do not get information about dropped classes or additional financial aid that a student is awarded later in a semester. There are certainly still ways to get your book and travel reimbursements sooner than the end of the semester; however, this will be done on an individual basis.



Be on the lookout for additional updates to our policies and process as we are working on them!

Congratulations to all who are graduating this Fall!! Be sure to send us a picture of you in your cap & gown!



Megan Burns, Babes on the Square, Too, Wilmington shared this photo of her and her family at the Springfield College graduation ceremony last week. Ms Meg was asked to share her story with us:

"I have worked in the Early Childhood field for 18 years. I graduated with an Associate's Degree in Early Childhood Education back in 2001. I was set to never have to go through the stress of boring homework assignments, projects, and teachers staring at me from behind a desk ever again! Since graduating, I worked my way up my career path from Assistant teacher to a well-seasoned and knowledgeable Administrator and Curriculum Coordinator. I have taken leadership roles in every position I have been assigned over the years. I have encouraged several employees over the course of my profession to start school, or return, because of the positive influence it provides to how you run your classroom and interact with parents.

Being a participant in the Delaware Stars program, I was required to meet the Essential Standards requirements. As an advocate for Delaware Stars, I immediately sent in my paperwork to receive the appropriate credentials. To my surprise, because my credits had been previously used towards other credentials, I could not get my certificate. Over several weeks I investigated my options of how to obtain my certificate- I also began reflecting on my position in the Early Childhood field. How could I hold others to the expectations, and do the job I was currently doing, when even I was not now considered qualified for my position- despite meeting previously set requirements?

I did not want to go back to school again, nor afford to pay for a degree all over again. I have 2 young children involved in after school activities and a husband who travels in his career. I questioned going back for an entire year making up every excuse possible not to return to my studies..... To read the complete story, please visit our website - [T.E.A.C.H. Testimonials](#)

Governor Elect John Carney releases his education plan!

Governor Elect Carney believes that for too long, students, teachers, and parents have been shuffled from one education reform to another - from standardized test to standardized test. He thinks the best thing we can do to improve Delaware's education system is to pick a strategy, and stick with it. Our education system, especially in the city, is not serving our kids the way it needs to.



Governor Elect Carney's education policy will focus on the following key elements:
Making Sure All Children Get to Kindergarten Ready to Learn

- Create a Cabinet-level Council to better deliver early childhood education programming.
- Build stronger connections between early learning and K-12 schools.
- Maintain support for high quality STARS rated programs.
- Provide at-risk parents and families with early intervention and coaching from birth through early childhood.

For more information visit [John Carney's website](#)



Job postings

DAEYC is now accepting resumes for the new *WAGES* Coordinator - [DAEYC Job posting](#)

The Delaware Department of Education is seeking an experienced, high-energy, dedicated professional to provide leadership for its *Office of Early Learning*. [DOE Job Board](#)

University of Delaware - DIEEC is looking to hire an Environmental Rating Scale Assessor (ERS Assessor) - [UD Jobs](#)

NDEHS is in need of some additional help and is in the process of recruiting for part time temporary positions.

Part-time home visitor/family support specialist.

Hourly Wage: Varies with education and experience

Requirements: At least an AA in Human Services, ECE or related degree with some experience, BS preferred; Bilingual - Spanish a plus

Substitutes -We are also helping our Childcare partner(s) recruit for substitutes and part-time workers - must be willing to work in Wilmington

Hourly Wage: Varies with education and experience

Requirements: at least TECE 1 & 2 or Nine ECE credits; Experience working with young children; Infant/toddler CDA preferred

If you are interested, fax your cover letter and resume, along with the name, email address and telephone number of at least three references to 831-0474 along with evidence of education requirements (i.e. TECE 1 & 2, ECE credits, degree). You may also email these items to earlyheadstart@udel.edu

The University of Delaware is an Equal Opportunity Employer which encourages applications from Minority Group members, Women, Individuals with Disabilities, and Veterans. The University's Notice of Non Discrimination can be found at <http://www.udel.edu/aboutus/legalnotices.htm> .

Please share with anyone you think would be interested.

In your words....

What has the scholarship meant to you personally and professionally?

"Everything! Wouldn't have been able to attend school without support." ~ Center Administrator, Newark, DE

"Its meant so much to me. I feel very grateful to be able to work towards my degree. If it wasn't for T.E.A.C.H., I wouldn't be able to afford school." ~ Assistant Teacher, Newark, DE

T.E.A.C.H. is asking for release forms in order to use your quotes, if you have not sent yours in yet, please do so asap!



Stand By Me

Stand By Me® is a coalition of community partners, led by the State of Delaware and United Way of Delaware.

Launched in 2011 in New Castle County, the organization now offers services statewide. Our mission is to provide Delawareans with a personal financial coach and a toolkit to navigate the challenges leading to personal financial security.

Together, we are working toward the greater good of our state by providing free one-on-one coaching in partnership with hundreds of community partners, including employers, educational institutions,



state agencies, and nonprofit organizations. Our partners are involved with the program's strategy as well as its implementation.

\$tand By Me's overall approach is to conduct targeted outreach to multiple markets in order to achieve the greatest impact. All of these initiatives involve the support and participation of numerous partners who promote, host, and implement program operations in collaboration with \$tand By Me. These include:

- Financial Wellness in the Workplace: Serves as an employee benefit promoting financial wellness.
- College Funding Project: Helps navigate the financial maze leading to post-secondary education. A partnership with the Delaware Office of Higher Education, school districts, and high schools to reduce the fear and mystery surrounding funding a post-secondary education.
- **College Student Partnership: Works on Delaware Technical Community College and Wilmington University campuses statewide to help college students develop and implement a plan to pay for college and life simultaneously, with a goal of degree attainment.**
- \$BM 50+: Helps older Delawareans approaching or in retirement to maneuver the wide variety of benefits and financial strategies in order to increase financial stability on a fixed income.
- \$BM Hispano: Works in Spanish to help Hispanic immigrants and residents with their unique financial challenges, and help them become financial service customers in America.
- Financial Empowerment for Childcare Centers and Families: Working in collaboration with staff and families served, \$BM provides targeted services to the industry and low-income families with children in childcare.
- FinanceAbility: Partnership with ServiceSource to provide financial coaching and financial education for adults with disabilities who are entering or already in the workforce.
- Adults in Workforce Development: Partnership with adult education programs at Vo-Tech high schools, Delaware WONDER, and the Department of Labor's One-Stop System to reach Delawareans in workforce development programs. Financial coaching and financial literacy will be embedded into the curriculum to support adults who are preparing for new careers through skills development.
- Kiss Your Landlord Goodbye: Works with aspiring homeowners to improve their ability to achieve homeownership by increasing their credit scores, reducing debt, and establishing the income and savings needed to maintain a home. This program is a partnership with the Delaware State Housing Authority and the Federation of Housing Counselors.

All of these campaigns involve the support and participation of numerous partners who promote, host, and implement program operations in collaboration with \$tand By Me. [Learn more here!](#)



Save the Date for DAEYC's
2017 Annual Meeting

Thursday, January 12, 2017

LOCATION TBD - Dover
Buffet Dinner 5:30-6:30PM
Annual Meeting 6:30-8:30PM

Agenda
- Approve by-laws
- Annual Goals
- NAEYC's transition
- DAEYC committees
- Highlights of 2016
- Raffle baskets

DAEYC Annual Member meeting - Save the date!

Save the date for DAEYC's Annual member meeting! Be sure to renew your membership or join today to be invited to this sure to be fun event! Membership information can be found on our website - <http://www.daeyc.org/membership/>

[For more information - click here!](#)

Happy Holidays!

December brings many holidays for many cultures! NAEYC has many resources that can help! [Anti-Bias Education: The December Holidays](#)

Here is a great resource to share with families on why young children like the boxes and paper better than the gift! - [Why do babies like boxes best?](#)



T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood Delaware wishes you, your family, your children and their families a season of peace and love and a wonderful new year for 2017!



Sponsor Corner

As the semester winds down, be sure to complete Form C's for eligible students and submit them. The T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood © Delaware policy is that these forms are submitted with in 30 days from the end of the semester so that we can promptly apply the credit to your account. Blank forms can be found on our website - [T.E.A.C.H. Forms](#)

Also, if you have not sent in your employer update form, please do so ASAP! If you need a copy, you can download it here - [Program update form](#)

Be on the lookout for the 2016 T.E.A.C.H. Evaluation for Sponsors. We will be sending them out to the emails that we have on file, you can complete a paper version or an online version. Be the first to complete the program evaluation here - [2016 T.E.A.C.H. Sponsoring Center Evaluation](#)

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