CEHD Insider - April 2018

Dean's Message

Did you know that Kentucky ranks 5th nationally in the new class of National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) board-certified teachers? In late February, Kentucky celebrated 3,016 educators who are newly certified National Board Certified Teachers (NBCTs). Kentucky now ranks seventh in the nation for the percentage of teachers who are board-certified (8.6 percent) and eighth in the nation for the total number of board-certified teachers. NBCTs are entitled to an annual $2,000 salary bonus for the life of their certificate. Certification is available in 25 areas from preschool through 12th grade.

Kentucky's Governor's Office and Kentucky's Education Professional Standards Board (EPSB) note that Kentucky has consistently ranked in the top 10 nationally for the number of board-certified teachers. James (Jimmy) Adams, Executive Director of EPSB, has stated that "NBCT is the highest credential in the teaching profession. The progress that Kentucky continues to make towards the legislative goal of having at least one NBCT in every school is something to celebrate."

The CEHD has a long history of ongoing support for accomplished teaching in school classrooms. Each year, CEHD designates funding through the Mary K. Oxley Foundation gift to support teachers in our partner schools to complete this certification that national studies indicate increases student achievement.

To be eligible to participate in this program, which is supported by CEHD Signature Partnership Initiative (SPI) schools, each teacher is committed to remaining at an SPI school for at least three years, which is an effort to increase teacher retention, school capacity to support student achievement and the school's success. From 2010-2016, the Mary K. Oxley Foundation gift to the CEHD, supported 36 NBCTs who work in SPI schools--directly impacting 1,000 P-12 students each year (average 30 students per teacher). CEHD is grateful to the Mary K. Oxley Foundation, proud of this commitment we make annually, and celebrates our distinguished SPI teachers and CEHD alumni who are NBCTs!

CEHD News...

Alagaraja Awarded Article of the Year

Dr. Meera Alagaraja, Associate Professor in the Department of Educational Leadership, Evaluation and Organizational Development, and co-authors, Drs. Toby Egan and Richard Woodman, were presented the Human Resource Development Quarterly 2017 Richard A. Swanson Research Excellence Award during the annual Academy of Human Resource Development Conference. They were selected for their article, "Towards an Understanding of HRD Lean Strategy Linkages: A Multicase Study of Four U.S. Based Firms." The award is given for the most outstanding article from across all issues of Human Resource Development Quarterly.

Johnson Appointed as AERA Section Co-Chair

Dr. Detra Johnson, Assistant Professor in the Department of Educational Leadership, Evaluation and Organizational Development, has been appointed to serve as a Section 1 (Leadership) Co-Chair for the Division A Planning Committee for the 2019 American Educational Research Association (AERA) annual meeting. The meeting will be held in Toronto, Canada. She will have a significant role in soliciting proposals, selecting reviewers, scheduling and overseeing the review process, and constructing the program for the 2019 meeting.

Brown to Serve on Faculty Senate Committee

Dr. Sherri Brown, Associate Professor in the Department of Early Childhood Education, was elected to serve on the Executive Committee of the UofL Faculty Senate. She will be the liaison for the Committee on Committees and Credentials.

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Dr. Ahmad Washington, Assistant Professor in the Department of Counseling and Human Development, co-presented with Cassandra Web of the Louisville Urban League, "L.Y.R.I.C.S.: Using Hip Hop Culture for College Career Exploration," at the Jefferson County Public Schools' (JCPS) 2018 Hip Hop Summit. The summit was held on March 28th at Meyzeek Middle School and was designed to help educators engage in collaborative learning with their students using a two-generational approach. Dr. Washington worked with Dr. John Marshall, JCPS Chief Equity Officer, his staff, JCPS teachers and community leaders to organize the summit. Dr. Marshall shared with Dean Ann Larson that it was a huge success. He went on to state that he believes UofL is poised to bring this type of pedagogy to the forefront in teacher and counselor preparation.

Buckley Awarded ACPA Grant
The American College Personnel Administrators awarded a $2,000 grant to Dr. Jessica Buckley, Clinical Assistant Professor in the Department of Educational Leadership, Evaluation and Organizational Development, for her project, "Cross-Class Interaction and Social Class Expectations in the Transition to College. She also received a CEHD Research and Faculty Development grant for the project.

Whitmore, Co-Researchers Present at SECA
Dr. Kathryn Whitmore, Professor in the Department of Early Childhood and Elementary Education, and CEHD doctoral students, Christie Angleton and Emily Zuccaro, Curriculum and Instruction program, and other co-presenters presented, "Environments as Third Teacher: A Reggio Approach to Preschool Classroom Spaces," at the Southern Early Childhood Association (SECA) conference. Dr. Whitmore also presented with Zuccaro, Angleton, and Dr. Edyth Wheeler, CEHD Dean's Advisory Board member and retired Towson University Professor, "I Just Don't Know: Stories and Reflections about Becoming Champions."

Dr. Whitmore and Dr. James Chisholm, Associate Professor in the Department of Middle and Secondary Education, were asked to present at a spring summit for teachers that was held at the Kentucky Center for Performing Arts. They presented, "The Visual Embodiment and Emotion Eighth-Graders' Responses to Anne Frank's Diary: Engaging Teachers as Researchers," and engaged the group in Visual Learning Analysis, which helps teachers understand how emotions and embodied learning are rendered in photographs.

ELEOD Faculty Publish in Ed Policy
Dr. Kyle Ingle, Assistant Chair and Associate Professor in the Department of Educational Leadership (ELEOD), Evaluation and Organizational Development, Dr. Casey George, lead author and Assistant Professor in ELEOD, and B. Pogodzinski, published in Educational Policy, "Exploring the Politics of Collective Bargaining and Unions in Education." Dr. Ingle also published with Dr. Aaron Wiseman, a graduate of the Ed.D. in Educational Administration and Leadership program, "Revisiting and Extending the Work of Cowen and Fowles: A Historical Analysis of Kentucky Teacher Contracts," in Educational Policy. Dr. Wiseman recently accepted a tenure-track assistant professor position at California State University, Bakersfield.

Did You Know...
CEHD has a new landing page for all degree programs. Please take a moment to visit the new site!
Jaggers Presents at JDRF Summit
Dr. Jason Jaggers, Assistant Professor in the Department of Health and Sport Sciences, was invited to present at the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) 6th Annual Type One Nation Summit that was held in February. He presented with Dr. Kupper Wintergarst and Andrea Newcom, RD, who are with the Wendy Novak Center. Their presentation was about sports nutrition/diabetes management.

McFadden Publishes in IJTDE
Dr. Justin McFadden, Assistant Professor in the Department of Early Childhood and Elementary Education, and co-author, published, "Engineering Design in the Elementary Science Classrooms: Supporting Student Discourse During an Engineering Design Challenge," in the International Journal of Technology and Design Education (IJTDE).

2018 Spring Conference Wrap-Up
The annual Spring Research Conference was attended by over 150 students and faculty from UofL, the University of Cincinnati (UC), and the University of Kentucky (UK). UofL CEHD was this year's host institution and the event was held on Shelby Campus. Students gave presentations and participated in poster sessions showcasing their research proposals. Thirty-four CEHD faculty and two UK faculty members served as discussants and poster reviewers, giving constructive feedback to the students. Seventy CEHD graduate students participated in the conference. The CEHD Office of Research would like to thank conference chair and CEHD doctoral student, Emily Zuccaro, and the CEHD doctoral and graduate level student planning committee members, Sam Schmidt, Jared Colston, Lauren Hayes, Taylor Brown, Molly Tarter, and Gabrielle Read Jasnof for their outstanding work in organizing the conference.

Ising Retiring this Month
Kelly Ising will retire in mid-April after working for the University of Louisville and CEHD for 42 years. She was with the School of Nursing her first two years at UofL, and at ELEOD for the past 40 years. Kelly stated that she loved working with doctoral students and that ELEOD faculty and staff are like a second family to her. She will kick-off her retirement by going on a Caribbean cruise and plans to spend more time with family and friends. A retirement reception will be held in her honor on Friday, April 6th, 3 - 4:30 p.m., in CEHD room 110. All CEHD faculty and staff are invited to attend.

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Student News

Christie Angleton, Jonathan Baize, and Leah Halliday, doctoral students in the curriculum and instruction program and who are in Dr. Michele Foster's Writing for Publication course, blogged about what they are working on as they contemplate their research and their passion for writing and literacy.

The following students were elected to serve as CEHD representatives for the UofL Student Government Association: Dion Copeland, President (B.S. Middle and Secondary Education, content area is Social Studies); Logan Fredrick, Senator (B.S. Sport Administration); Matthew Woodard, Senator (switching major to teacher education preparation).

Alumni News

Ashlee Kemper, graduate of the CEHD's B.S. in Elementary Education with a concentration in Learning and Behavior Disorders and M.Ed. in Reading Education degree programs and teacher at Cochran Elementary, was selected to receive the WHAS11 ExCEL Award. She was presented the award on March 19th during a celebration held in her honor at the school. Ashlee is also a recipient of the Hilliard Lyons UofL Teacher of the Year Award. Learn more...JCPS news story...YouTube...

Leigh Huber, a graduate of the B.S. in Elementary Education, M.Ed. in Elementary Education, and Ed.S. in Educational Administration with principalship, and teacher at Cochran Elementary, was named winner of the 2018 Jefferson County Teachers Association Women in Leadership Award. The award is given to those who make a difference in civil rights and liberties in education.

Dr. Keith Davis, a graduate of the Ed.D. in Educational Leadership and Organizational Development program, is the recipient of the 2018 F.L. Dupree Award as Outstanding Kentucky Superintendent. The award is presented by the Kentucky School Boards Association.

Dr. Sharon Kerrick, a graduate of the Ph.D. program in Educational Leadership and Organizational Development and Dean of Bellarmine University's Rubel School of Business, was voted by Today's Woman magazine readers as the Most Admired Woman in Education.

Philanthropy Highlight:
Class Act Federal Credit Union
The CEHD is proud to recognize Class Act Federal Credit Union (FCU) for their continued support of our students. Class Act has supported student scholarships since 2007 through the Class Act Federal Credit Union Endowed Scholarship, which is housed in the CEHD. Lynn Heuther, President, and Mary Jackey, Community Relations, presented to Jonathan Israel, CEHD Director of Development, a check for $2,000 towards the scholarship fund. Class Act FCU has given over $200,000 in scholarship support to the University of Louisville. Thank you, Class Act!

Upcoming Events

- Thursday, April 12th, 2018, 4:30 - 7 p.m.
  Premier of Dr. Walt Wolfram's film - Talking Black in America
  Ekstrom Library, Chao Auditorium
  Dr. Wolfram is a Distinguished Professor at North Carolina State University and is being hosted by Dr. Michele Foster, Endowed Professor in the Department of Early Childhood and Elementary Education.

- Saturday, May 12th, 2018
  University of Louisville Spring Commencement
  KFC Yum! Center
  CEHD commencement is scheduled to begin at 2 p.m.

- June - August, 2018
  Gheens Science Hall and Rauch Planetarium
  Summer Camps
  Registration is open for the following camps:
  --Space Adventure Camp (grades 2-4) June 25-29 and July 16-20
  --Space Exploration Camp (grades 5-6) June 11-15 and July 30-August 3
  --Space Engineering Camp (grades 7-9) June 18-22

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