College of Education meeting this Friday! October 14, 2011, COED 010, 9:30 – 11 a.m. (please plan to come at 9:00 for bagels and coffee set up in the lobby outside the lecture hall.)

◊ We will have a work session led by the Disposition’s Taskforce (co-chairs Dawson Hancock and Susan Furr) as the major agenda item.
◊ Also on the agenda is a briefing led by Bruce Taylor and Jeaneine Jones (co-chairs of the Standard 5 committee) regarding the “Criteria and Promotion for Reappointment and Promotion Reviews for Clinical Faculty in the College of Education.”

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New publication:


Congratulations to Lee Sherry (SPCD), John Beattie (SPCD), and Lindsay Flynn (SPCD) who have received a state improvement grant from NCDPI (funded by the U.S. DOE) to enhance and refine the infusion of math and reading foundations into coursework for teacher candidates in their programs. Read more in Campus News: DPI grant to fund enhanced teacher preparation

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On the Calendar…

- The College of Education Faculty Council will meet Wednesday, October 12, 2011 in COED 205 at 9:30 a.m.
- The 4th Annual Bob Barret Distinguished Lecture Series on Multiculturalism will be held on October 20, 2011. The lecturer is Dr. Barry Chung. Dr. Chung is Professor and Chair of the Department of Counseling and Applied Educational Psychology at Northeastern University and is nationally known for his work in the areas of career development, multicultural counseling, and sexual orientation issues. Dr. Chung will be presenting on Out of the Closet—Into the Boardroom: Vocational Issues for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Persons. The lecture will take place in the College of Health and Human Services Building, room 155. The lecture will begin at 7:00 pm. The lecture honors Professor Bob Barret who taught in the Department of Counseling for 29 years prior to his retirement in 2008.
- Teaching Fellows Alumni Chapter Reception – Friday, October 14, 2011, Harris Alumni Center at Johnson Glen, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. The event is free and open to the public. Free parking to those who register for the event. http://publicrelations.uncc.edu/news-events/news-releases/charlotte-teachers-institute-presents-%E2%80%98exploding-canons%E2%80%99-unc-charlotte-cen

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Newest Doctor in the House!

Sequoya Mungo, our Teacher Recruiter, and doctoral student in the Curriculum and Instruction Ph.D. program successfully defended her dissertation on Monday, October 3, 2011. Her dissertation was titled: An Intergenerational Oral History of African American Students in Edgecombe County, North Carolina from 1930 to 1980. Congratulations Dr. Mungo!

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Welcome to a new colleague!

Carrie Whiteside joins the Office of Teacher Education Advising, Licensure, and Recruitment as an Academic Advisor.

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Our student teachers were back on campus Monday for their Professional Development Day, directed by Myra Dietz (OFE). Over 30 teachers, principals, and central office personnel, along with OFE staff, presented workshops to support our 210 students in getting ready for a great job search and a great first year! Special thanks to the Office of Educational Outreach for their assistance.

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STEM Center to sponsor a Research Learning Group - The Learning Group will focus its first year efforts on the meaning and creation of mathematics learning trajectories. If you are interested in reading current literature and participating in discussion groups on learning trajectories in math education, please email Michelle Stephan, michelle.stephan@uncc.edu or David Pugalee, David.Pugalee@uncc.edu to indicate your interest.

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Important reminder for Teaching Faculty – Please complete your “Biographical Sketch” as soon as possible. The deadline is October 31st. Academic Affairs is generating periodic status reports and they have also offered technical assistance if necessary.

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MLC update: We continue to send best wishes to Dean Calhoun who has now made the two-week mark since knee replacement surgery! She continues with her physical therapy and reports that it is making a difference and she is moving more comfortably. In case you need her mailing address, please contact Kathie Goldman in the Dean’s Office.

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Calendar reminders – Midterm / unsatisfactory grades can be submitted via the web through noon, October 14th.

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Hope you are enjoying a couple of days of fall recess. Looking forward to seeing you Friday - Melba