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YMCA PA KEYS FOR EARLY LEARNING GRANT AWARDED FOR 2012-2013

The Saint Vincent College Education Department was again awarded the YMCA PA Keys for Early Learning Grant for the 2012-2013 year. The \$30,000 grant will support the tuition of three early childhood professionals to earn their Early Childhood Director Credential through specified courses in the Master of Science in Curriculum and Instruction graduate program. The grant will also support the online development of an early learning director's recertification graduate course and will offer a tuition grant for seven successful candidates seeking renewal of their credentials.

Candidates interested in applying for a tuition grant please contact:
Ms. Kathy Beining at
kathleen.beining@stvincent.edu.

Homecoming 2012!

Join us for a complementary reception for friends and alumni of the Education Department on October 6, 2012. The reception will be held from 10:00 – 11:00 AM on the Fourth Floor – Headmasters' Hall. The Homecoming parade, picnic, game and fall festival will follow the reception. Fr. Vernon will be an honored guest for his fifty years of service.

Education Department Receives Approval for New Special Education Certification

On August 15, 2012, the Saint Vincent College Education Department received approval for new Special Education certification areas: PreK-8 and 7-12, with special designation. The Special Education Certification areas replace the former N-21 certification no longer issued in Pennsylvania. The Master of Science in Special Education can be completed in one year after graduation beginning in May and finishing 15 months later in August. The program is also flexible enough to allow for students to enter into the program at any term.

For more information on the Master of Science Degree in Special Education contact Ms. Lisa Glessner at lisa.glessner@stvincent.edu.



Campus Tree, M. Ziemiński 2012

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"...Focusing its field and classroom experiences on the development of teachers who understand the integral relationship of parents, family, school, and community to the general development of children."

“There’s an App for That: Utility Apps” Presentation on October 22, 2012

Come learn about the latest iPad Applications that can help teachers in classrooms at all levels. On October 22, Mr. Jasen Lentz, a computer science graduate and current master degree candidate in the M.S. in Educational Media and Technology of Saint Vincent College, will present utility applications that can help one’s own personal productivity and classroom effectiveness.

The presentation is open to the Saint Vincent College faculty, alumni, and students who are interested in expanding his/her iPad application repertoire.

Please bring your iPad or iPhone to the seminar, as this will be the first of several seminars to help teachers make greater use of their iPads. The presentation will be held from 5:30 – 6:30 PM in Prep Hall 205.

*Please RSVP by Thursday, October 18, 2012 to this event at <http://tinyurl.com/appforthat1>



Education Major, Bethany Biesinger, studies for class.

Photo: N. Larson, 2012

Welcome New Staff!

This semester we welcome the following instructors to our department:

*Dr. Amy McTighe – Assistant Professor;
Professor of Special Education*

*Dr. Mary Anne Hazer – Assistant
Professor; Director of Field Placement*

*Ms. Kathleen Ramos – Assistant
Professor; English Language Learners*

MORNING COFFEE AND DOUGHNUTS!

Please come join us for a discussion about the current trends of education held at 8:00 AM – 9:30 AM on the Ground Floor of Prep Hall.

Session dates and speakers:

Tuesday, September 25 – Dr. Rob Michalow

Wednesday, October 31 – Ms. Kathleen Beining

Monday, November 26 – Dr. Mary Beth Spore

All current Education students and their friends are welcome. For more information, email Ms. Micah Ziemski at: micah.ziemski@email.stvincent.edu

“From Campus to Your Home”

Saint Vincent College now offers online tutoring: “from campus to your home” for K – 12 pupils needing additional support in learning areas, social skills, and technology. This program is designed to offer school-aged children and their parents a program that will allow college students to tutor without having to interrupt a busy schedule with commutes or finding suitable locations.

To participate, school children should have access to an internet-connected computer with speakers and a microphone. No special software or downloads are required.

To arrange a tutoring session, please contact Mr. Jasen Lentz at: educationonline@email.stvincent.edu.

Challenge Program at SVC (Grades 3-12)

The Saint Vincent College Challenge Program 2012 was a success! The popular 2012 program was themed “Wizard College” for middle and high school students. Participants enjoyed a weeklong, academic enrichment program based on the ideas and concepts that surround the popular literature series: Harry Potter.

The 2013 Challenge program will expand into two weeks providing programming connected to the themes of The Hunger Games and Pirates of the Caribbean. The Challenge program 2013 will be planned for July 7 – 21 and registration will be open by Thanksgiving. A day program for children entering third and fourth grades will also be available.

Please save the dates and contact Ms. Kathy Beining at kathleen.beining@email.stvincent.edu for more information.

Step-Up Presents Special Program

Step-Up Enrichment Program recently hosted a workshop by local authors, Patricia and Richard Easton.

For more information, visit <http://www.stvincenteducation.org/news-archive.html>

Early Childhood Education Club to Host Winter Clothing Drive

The SVCECE Club will be collecting gently used winter jackets, sweatshirts, sweatpants, gloves, scarves, and hats for a second grade classroom in Greenville, PA. Donated items may be placed in the collection box in the SVC Education Dept. office. The drive ends October 19, 2012. For more information contact Emily Zeh at emily.zeh@email.stvincent.edu.

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Dr. Hazer’s favorite quote: “*What do we live for; if it is not to make life less difficult to each other?*” – George Eliot