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FROM THE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES

From PSA Administrative Coordinator Shawna Boomgaard:

The OU/PSA Office is pleased to share some of the great things our Academies have happening in their buildings. This month, at Four Corners Montessori Academy (FCMA), the 7th and 8th grade students participated in a week long **internship program** (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4jTdd7Z7BHA&feature=youtu.be>). FCMA collaborated with businesses, organizations, schools, and local district courts to provide opportunities for students who job shadowed for one week throughout FCMA and at business locations in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties; bringing real world experience into the classroom. The goal of FCMA's hands-on program is to expand students' knowledge about the business world, inspiring them to become career-focused as they begin making college and career path decisions.



"We are so fortunate to have a community of parents, teachers, and professionals who value real-life, experiential education," says Chris Schoenherr, Head of School at FCMA. "Our students gained experience that will impact them through high school, college and beyond."

The one-week, unpaid internships were an integral part of FCMA's Career Development Program. In preparation for internships, students learned how to create professional resumés and cover letters, effective communication skills, and interview techniques through business professionals. Students then contacted potential employers to secure internships. Businesses that partnered with FCMA to mentor 8th grade students include Royal Oak Chamber of Commerce, District Courts in Royal Oak and Warren, Department of Natural Resources, Northeast Auto Service, CEC Engineering Controls Company, Commercial Financial Management, **Leon and Lulu** (<https://leonandlulu.com/meet-our-youngest-intern/>), Green Garden Child Development Center, The Coffee Shop, Fresh Approach Market, Kensington Church, Highest Honor, Walled Lake Veterinary Clinic, Anchor Bay High School, Lamphere High School, Active Care Home Care Agency, Wilkinson Middle School, and Green Garage. Seventh graders worked onsite, within the classrooms and offices of FCMA.

Supervisor evaluations and daily student reflections provided a closer look at the real world and educational impact that these internships provided.

"We know we have something very special within our FCMA community. The support for this internship program from our community and the connections our students were willing and able to make in preparation for this program will go a long way as they continue to grow into responsible, independent citizens of our world," said FCMA Middle School teacher and OU alum, Nicholas Kaltz.

ACCOLADES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Proposals Funded for Mary Lose

Mary Lose has recently had two proposals funded. The first award is a Reading Recovery Expansion Grant, with funding from Pioneer Valley Books in the amount of \$18,000 for 18 teachers (\$1,000 per teacher) toward their tuition for Reading Recovery Teacher Training in 2015-16. Each teacher will also receive approximately \$3,000 in books for children's instruction. The awards are to support fifteen Detroit Public School teachers, two Walton Academy (Pontiac) teachers and one Grand Blanc teacher.

Apart from Oakland University (eighteen teachers), only Georgia State University (ten teachers) received this funding.

The second award is \$32,250 in additional i3 funds for a Leadership in Literacy Institute for Michigan school administrators and school teams. The date of the institute is June 16, 2015.

**Congratulations to Mary!**

Newly Elected Senate Members

Congratulations to the newly elected Senate members for 2015-16:

- Darlene Groomes, Human Development and Child Studies
- Todd Leibert, Counseling
- Emery Petchauer, Teacher Development and Educational Studies
- Tim Larrabee, Teacher Development and Educational Studies
- Caryn Wells, Organizational Leadership

IN THE NEWS

SEHS Greeters Needed

The School of Education and Human Services will be greeting incoming students into Pawley Hall the week of May 11, 2015. Volunteers are still needed, particularly during the lunch and early evening hours. Please **sign up** (https://docs.google.com/a/oakland.edu/spreadsheets/d/1D9SL8TSKXdegDa56QaQ_AAInTJQxraOyNeRmk4rEbBs/edit#gid=0) if you are available.

For additional information, please view the **Q&A** (<https://www.oakland.edu/upload/docs/SEHS/Newsletters/Summer%202015%20Classroom%20Greeter%20Q&A.docx>), or contact **Leigh Dzwik** (<mailto:settlemo@oakland.edu?subject=Greeters>).



OUCARES Swim Program Funded

The OUCARES Swim Program has recently been approved for funding for one quarter. Subsequent quarters will be approved at later dates. The program will be able to use up to \$2,000 as a total fund to be split amongst as many swimmers with ASD that may benefit.

Congratulations to OUCARES!



Study in New Zealand

What will your students cross off their bucket list this summer? Study an issue of practice and job-shadow an educator in their area of interest and be hosted by teachers and families in the Auckland and Wellington areas of New Zealand.

EST570 – International Classroom Experience: New Zealand is an immersion experience that past participants have described as life-changing. In addition to the homestay portions of the experience, there will be opportunities for learning about the unique culture, history, and geography of New Zealand. On the way home to Michigan, watch whales, cuddle a koala, or explore the Great Barrier Reef.

Please share this with any interested students. For additional information, view the **program explanation** (<https://www.oakland.edu/upload/docs/SEHS/Newsletters/NZprogramExplanationParticipants042315.doc>) or **application information** (<https://www.oakland.edu/upload/docs/SEHS/Newsletters/EST570%20New%20Zealand%20Application%20Information%20042315.doc>) form.



CELEBRATIONS



Congratulations

to SEHS Advisor
Anna Mrdeza
and her Husband Ryan
on their newborn daughter

Vincenza Rose
Mrdeza

7lbs, 6oz, 20 inches

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

BILL SOLOMONSON
DEPARTMENT OF ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP

CARYN WELLS
DEPARTMENT OF ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP

*If you do not wish to have your birthday announced, please contact James Silvestri at jmsilves@oakland.edu
(<mailto:jmsilves@oakland.edu?subject=Birthday%20exclusion>).*

ABOUT THE SEHS BULLETIN

Welcome to the SEHS Bulletin, where faculty and staff can share news and celebrate the wonderful things happening in SEHS. The bulletin is the perfect place to share information about your publications and awards, special projects and committee news, as well as announce events.

All are welcome to send items for inclusion. If you choose to do so, please ensure that your items are print ready, that you include all related links, and that you have permission to publish any photos being submitted. Please put "SEHS Bulletin" in the subject line and email your information to:

sehs@oakland.edu (<mailto:sehs@oakland.edu?subject=SEHS%20Bulletin>).

If you have questions about the bulletin, feel free to email James Silvestri at jmsilves@oakland.edu (<mailto:jmsilves@oakland.edu?subject=SEHS%20Bulletin>).



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