

*****VERY IMPORTANT THAT YOU READ TIL THE END*****

UCI Cal Teach E-News **Finals Edition**
Friday, December 7, 2007

"He who opens a school door, closes a prison."
-- Victor Hugo (1802-1885)

Many Children Struggling After '05 Storms

http://www.nytimes.com/2007/12/07/us/nationalspecial/07katrina.html?_r=1&ref=education&oref=slogin

Other Countries' Students Surpass U.S.'s on Tests

<http://www.nytimes.com/2007/12/05/education/05scores.html?ref=education>

California Schools Move to the Head of the Class

<http://www.latimes.com/news/education/la-me-usnews1dec01,1,493422.story?coll=la-news-learning&ctrack=6&cset=true>

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**Cal Teach Receives \$2.4 million in Grant Money

Program receives money to continue to foster the development of future math and science teachers for the state of California...read more by clicking:

<http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/news/article/16924>

**Are YOU NEW to Cal Teach?

Those of you who will be enrolling into Phys Sci 5 or Bio Sci 14, it is of utmost importance for you to get fingerprinted and complete a TB test immediately. I understand that you may not have time to do this during Finals week...so please take the pro-active steps of AT LEAST setting up

your appointments. I've attached documents that will give you more specific information. You will need to drop by Bio Sci Admin, Suite 137 (Building 515 on the campus map) to pick up the form that you will need for your TB test.

****UCI Cal Teach Resource & Advising Center Hours December 10th-14th** The Center will be open during the following times:

Tuesday, 11th 9-1pm

Wednesday, 12th 9-1pm

Friday, 14th 9-1pm

I am available by appointment as well. We have a Meeting Room that might want to take advantage of with finals approaching! I will be available by appointment after the 14th of December, as I will not offer set office hours during the Holiday Break.

****Seniors Last Chance to Complete Your Three Seminars!**

Registration for the Winter Quarter begins on Monday...if you have not taken either Phys Sci 105 (cross-listed with Bio Sci 101) or Phys Sci 106 (cross-listed with Bio Sci 102), you will not be eligible to have your CSET and CBEST fees reimbursed!!

Make sure you sign up for your remaining seminars:

All Cal Teach Seminars will meet on Fridays from 4:00 6:50pm!

The following are the Course Codes:

“Middle School Science & Math Teaching”

Phys Sci 105 49010 Bio Sci 101 05275

“High School Science & Math Teaching”

Phys Sci 106 49020 Bio Sci 102 05277

****Information Session for Single Subject and Multiple Subject Teacher Credential Programs at UCI**

Monday, December 10th

5:30-7:00pm

Berkeley Place 1111

RSVP online: http://pact.gse.uci.edu/contacts/survey_cred.lasso or call 949.824.3348

****Statement of Purpose & Application Help**

If you need help with your applications or your SOP, please contact me to set up a meeting. I am open to sitting down with you to give you feedback on your Statement of Purpose.

****Passport to Leadership 2007-2008**

The Passport program is geared at giving students the one stop shop for leadership education and experience.

Click on: www.dos.uci.edu/passport for more details!

****UCI Intern Credential Deadline**

The deadline is Thursday, January 10th!! Don't hesitate to contact me if you have questions or if you need help with your application.

****Knowles Science Teaching Fellowship 2008**

The Foundation is now accepting applications for the 2008 Fellowship program. They are seeking students who will earn their BS degree by Summer 2008 and who will go into a teaching credential program in secondary math or science.

The application is due January 14th.

The program provides financial and professional support during your credential program and for your first few years of teaching.

For more information and an application, please visit:

<http://www.kstf.org/>

****UC Irvine Masters Golf Tournament Scholarship**

The UCI Golf Program and Dept of Education collaborated to raise scholarship money to award four teacher candidates who will be selected based on financial need and their commitment to serving in high-need schools. Two Single Subject candidates will receive a \$500-\$1000 (depending on tournament proceeds) award.

Deadline to apply is February 13th.

For more information and an application, please visit:

http://www.gse.uci.edu/PS_FYE.php

****Laura E. Settle Scholarship**

This scholarship is awarded to students who are preparing to become professional teachers in the state of California. One candidate will be selected and awarded a \$2000 scholarship award. Laura E. Settle retired as a teacher from the Pasadena School District and was founder of the California Retired Teacher's Association.

Deadline to apply is February 13th.

For more information and an application, please visit:

http://www.gse.uci.edu/PS_FYE.php

Enjoy your weekend! And BEST of LUCK as you prepare for your finals!

**** You'll be receiving a Program Calendar for our program in our Winter Break Issue of the E-News.**

Directions to the Santa Ana Unified School District Police Department

Address: 1601 East Chestnut Avenue, Santa Ana, CA 92701-6322
Phone: (714) 558-5535

University-California Irvine
Campus & University Dr Irvine, CA 92697 US

DIRECTIONS

DISTANCE

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| 1: Start out going Northeast on UNIVERSITY DR towards CAMPUS DR. | |
| 2: Turn LEFT onto CAMPUS DR. | 1.7 miles |
| 3: Turn RIGHT onto MACARTHUR BLVD. | 2.1 miles |
| 4: Take the CA-55 N ramp towards RIVERSIDE. | 0.2 miles |
| 5: Merge onto CA-55 N. | 0.4 miles |
| 6: Take the DYER RD exit. | 0.4 miles |
| 7: Turn LEFT onto E DYER RD. | 0.1 miles |
| 8: Turn RIGHT onto S GRAND AVE. | 2.4 miles |
| 9: Turn RIGHT onto E CHESTNUT AVE. | 0.2 miles |

TOTAL ESTIMATED TIME: 16 minutes

TOTAL DISTANCE: 7.4 miles (11.9 km)

UCI Cal Teach Science-Math Initiative
Biological Sciences Administration, Suite 137
Irvine Ca 92697

Fingerprinting and TB Testing Instructions

Before you begin your fieldwork placement, you are **required to receive confirmation** from the Cal Teach Manager of Student Services that you have **passed BOTH your fingerprinting and TB results**.

Fingerprinting:

Please keep in mind that **fingerprinting hours** are Monday-Friday from 8:30am til 11:30am and from 1:30pm til 4:30pm excluding holidays. Fingerprinting will **NOT** take place from December 17th through January 4th because Santa Ana Unified will be on Winter Break.

Santa Unified School District

1601 East Chestnut Avenue
Santa Ana, CA 92701

- Make an appointment by contacting the **Fingerprinting Appointment Line** at 714.558.5732
 - Say you are with the **UCI Cal Teach program**, for billing purposes
 - State your **Name** and **Phone Number** where you can be reached
 - Indicate a **Date** and **Time** that works best for you
 - You **will be** contacted from the fingerprinting dept to confirm your appointment time & date
- On the day of your Appointment
 - Make sure you **arrive 15 minutes early**
 - You must present a **valid picture ID**, such as: Passport; Military ID; State issued ID; Driver's License (**you only need to have one of these**)
 - You will be required to **fill out** an application, and will be provided with a copy for your records
 - The actual fingerprinting will take **5-10 minutes** to complete
- Fingerprinting results
 - Santa Ana Unified will typically receive your results in **2-10 working** days from the date of your prints being taken
 - Santa Ana Unified will let the Cal Teach Manager of Student Services know if you've passed your results
 - Manager of Student Services will inform your course instructor once they have been notified
 - Your Seminar Instructor(s) will notify you when you can begin your fieldwork (**DEPENDENT ON YOUR TB READ**)

Why TB Tests?

Background Information for Tuberculosis (TB) Skin Test (PPD, Mantoux)

Worldwide, tuberculosis (TB) is the most common infectious disease. It is estimated that approximately 1/3 of the entire world's population is infected with the bacterium that causes TB. In the United States this number is much lower, but those who live in close quarters, inner cities, or work in health care settings are at higher risk.

Even though 1/3 of the world's population is infected with the bacterium that causes TB, nowhere near that number of people actually have TB. The rest have a condition known as Latent TB Infection (LTBI). This is a situation where the body's immune system is constantly fighting the bacterium and keeping it in check. A small number of bacterium survive in the body, but are not able to reproduce and cause the disease. This fight may continue for decades and the human host may win in the end. BUT, sometimes, often when the immune system is depleted from other fights, the bacterium wins, begins reproducing actively and TB the disease occurs. It is only those people who actually have TB that are sick, and it is only they who are contagious.

The TB test (also called a PPD or Mantoux, and similar to the old Tine test) is designed to find those individuals who have been exposed to, and carry the bacterium that causes TB, but are not yet sick. It is easier to prevent a case of TB in someone who has been infected, than to treat a case of TB should it occur.

The TB test is NOT a vaccine. It does not protect against TB. It is only designed to identify those individuals who carry the bacterium. (<http://health.rutgers.edu/Immunizations/TB.htm>)

TB Testing:

Please note that TB Testing **DOES NOT** take place on Thursdays. **No appointments** will be scheduled between the hours of 11:45am and 1pm. The latest possible appointment time would be 4:15pm. The Student Health Center will be **open through** Wednesday, December 19th and will **re-open** on January 2nd.

UCI Student Health Center

501 Student Health

Irvine CA 92697-5200

(on the corner of Pereira and East Peltason)

- Make an initial appointment by contacting the **TB Appointment Line** at 949.824.5304
 - State your **Name** and **Phone Number** where you can be reached
 - Indicate a **Date** and **Time** that works best for you
 - Pick up a Interdepartmental **Recharge/Authorization Form** from Cal Teach Resource & Advising Center
- On the day of your Appointment
 - Make sure you **arrive** 10 minutes **before** your appointment time
 - Present your **UCI ID**
 - You will be asked to make a **second appointment** to schedule your TB Read
 - This will be made for you to visit **48-72 hours** later
- When you pick up your TB read

- You will be given a **Medical Verification**, informing you of a negative **OR** positive read
- If you receive a negative read
 - Submit the **Medical Verification** to Cal Teach Student Resource & Advising Center
 - Manager of Student Services will notify Seminar Instructors of your result
 - Seminar Instructor(s) will notify you when you can begin your fieldwork **(DEPENDENT ON YOUR FINGERPRINT PROCESS)**