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During the eight weeks of Summer 2010, the ESU campus will be closed on Fridays, allowing electrical savings for the university.

Staff will work four 10-hour days, effective June 6 through August 7.

Office hours for the public to contact individuals will be 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Mon-Thurs. If you are involved with a particular program, camp, or other event, please refer to the information provided by that program.

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*The schools of the
country are its future
in miniature.*

-- Tehyi Hsieh

NEW CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK FOR THE TEACHERS COLLEGE

If you graduated from The Teachers College between 1992 and 2009, you might remember the expression "Critical Thinker, Creative Planner, and Effective Practitioner." This expression was the college's Conceptual Framework or the philosophy guiding academic programs (both education and other programs), student performance, courses, teaching, and faculty scholarship and service. During the 2008-09 academic year, a group of faculty deliberated on a new Conceptual Framework for preparing our graduates, building on the legacy of excellence in the college while honoring its traditions. In April 2009, the committee presented their recommendation, which was discussed across the college and honed during the Fall 2009 semester with final approval in November. Very little was changed to the group's original recommendation, which is a tribute to the inspired work of the members of the group. The college is indebted to them for their efforts.

The philosophical basis for the new Conceptual Framework comes from the scholarship of Lee

Shulman, former President of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. Shulman observed mature professions like education, medicine, religion, engineering, and the law, were identified by six characteristics that set the terms for the challenge of educating professionals. These six characteristics form the basis for the six proficiencies in the new Conceptual Framework now guiding the preparation of teachers and other professionals in the college: providing service to society, applying interdisciplinary scholarly knowledge, engaging in effective practice, responding to uncertainty and change, relying on self-reflection, and belonging to professional community.

As the Conceptual Framework neared completion, the university's graphic designer developed several images to represent the framework in an easily accessible manner. The



Dr. Ken Weaver

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THE TEACHERS COLLEGE HONORS STUDENTS

Twenty-four Emporia State University students received special recognition at the 26th Annual Teachers College Honors Banquet held May 7. A total of 42 undergraduate students were also honored for achievement of a 3.8 grade point average or higher.

HONORED STUDENTS

Undergraduate and graduate students were honored for excellence in their respective departments. Eight undergraduates received outstanding undergraduate student awards and 15 graduate students received outstanding graduate student awards. The students honored included:

Undergraduate Awards

Athletic Training – Andrew P. Hawkins, Silver Lake
Health Education – Aaron M. Wall, Manhattan
Health Promotion – Marley Lerner, Gardner
Middle & Secondary Teacher Education – Zachary J. Raugewitz, Dodge City
Physical Education – Jessica L. Barbee, Abilene
Psychology – Kirsten Lanier, Burlington
Recreation – Kyle D. Ediger, Junction City
Rehabilitation Services Education – Elaine Dimura Reichert, Emporia

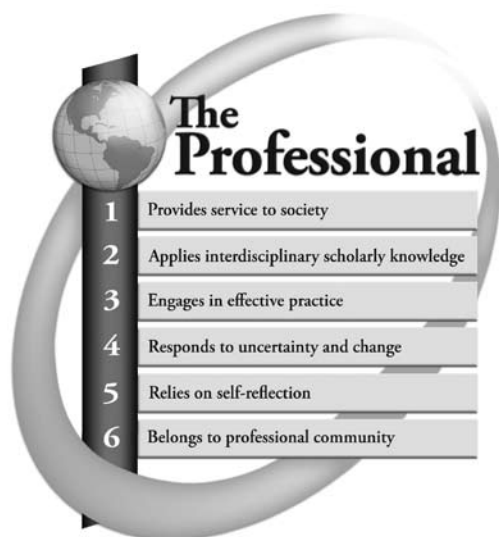
Graduate Awards

Art Therapy – Shubha Chatterjee, Bangalore, India
Clinical Psychology – Erin S. Sawyer, Wichita
Curriculum & Instruction – Theresa Jean Holderbach, Topeka
Early Childhood Education – Andrea H. Fyffe, Overland Park
Educational Administration – Kelly L. Ott, Kansas City
Industrial/Organizational Psychology – Jose M. Acevedo, Santa Barbara, CA
Instructional Design & Technology – Jennifer Elizabeth Gibson, Lawrence
Master Teacher-Reading Specialist – Samantha D. Hestand, Altamont

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New Conceptual Framework, continued from page 1

images were critiqued by a variety of committees late in the Fall 2009 semester. At the college's Spring 2010 faculty meeting, Dean Phil Bennett unveiled the new Conceptual Framework image, which includes the globe to reflect the importance of preparing our candidates to thrive in world that is becoming smaller:



Each proficiency has its respective list of indicators of candidate knowledge, practical ability, and dispositions, including proficiencies associated with diversity and technology, that are aligned with the expectations in professional, state, and institutional standards. A small sampling of the 48 indicators includes exhibiting knowledge of diversity, integrating knowledge across and within disciplines, and committing to help all children succeed.

The college is now in transition to the new conceptual framework. Besides guiding course work, the six proficiencies become the architecture for key assessments such as the University Supervisor Assessment Form for Student Teachers and Interns and orientation for student teachers and PDS interns.

More details and a nine-minute presentation on the new Conceptual Framework are available at www.emporia.edu/teach/framework/. Two references providing key support for the new Conceptual Framework are:

Shulman, L. S. (1998). Theory, practice, and the education of professionals. *Elementary School Journal*, 98, 511-526.

Gardner, H., & Shulman, L. S. (2005). The professions in America today: Crucial but fragile. *Daedalus*, 134(3), 13-18.

Dr. Ken Weaver, Associate Dean

USDE OFFICIAL SPEAKS AT ESU

Dr. Alexa Posny, USDE Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services spoke at ESU on April 23. Posny, former Kansas education commissioner, discussed university participation in teacher preparation funding in her address to university and college administrators from across the country.

The address was part of the Spring 2010 conference of The Renaissance Group hosted by ESU April 21-24. TRG is a national consortium of colleges and universities with a major commitment to the preparation of educational professionals. Current membership includes 26 colleges and universities in 17 states across the nation.



EARN GRADUATE CREDIT

The Jones Institute for Educational Excellence is offering several one-day workshops during the summer.

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Students Honored, continued from page 1

Mental Health Counseling – Rozita Mujit, Ranau, Malaysia
Physical Education – Nicole Churnock, Orange, CA
Rehabilitation Counseling – Heather Miller, Kansas City
School Counseling – Jodi L. Clouse, Edgerton
School Psychology – Amy Graves Faunce, Holton
Special Education-Adaptive – Amber Joy Stevens, Hays
Special Education-Gifted – Shari Burke, Haysville
Graduate Research Award – Maria Alexandra Vuyk, Special Education and School Counseling, Asuncion, Paraguay

HONORED STUDENTS

The following 42 undergraduate students were also recognized for a cumulative grade point average of 3.8 or higher. These students are due to graduate or have graduated in December 2009, May 2010 or August 2010: Benton – Stuart Busenitz; Berryton – Marcie Fundis; Cimarron – Brandon E. Toothaker; Clearwater – Jestin E. Blake, Erynn Marie Watt; Derby – Allison Nicole Miller; Dodge City – Christina Knoeber; Douglass – Jessica Boyer; Emporia – Jasmine O. Puderbaugh, Elaine Dimura Reichert, Anton Sandoval, Zachary John Wimmer; Gardner – Marley Lerner; Goff – Amy Niehues; Gove – Brandi Lundgren; Great Bend – Aaron Miller; Horton – Michelle Wellman; Hutchinson – Jill Ferrell, Kimberly Renee Kerner; Kansas City – Katelyn Nicole Kennedy; Lawrence – Kira Barker, Karen A. Kroge, Jacob Kucza; Leavenworth – Amy L. Chrisman; Lenexa – Kaitlyn Michelle Conner; Macksville – Paige Kinzie; Manhattan – Jessica Busch; Munden – Sarah R. Splichal; Olathe – Phyllis Ann Conner, Katherine E. Vick, Jamie Zipperlen; Osawatomie – Ronette L. Oestreich, Megan Stoker; Overland Park – Abigail Chappell, Heather Lynn McCartin; Paxico – Cassandra Wike; Peabody – Anna Zappone; Rock – Charly Dixon; Shawnee Mission – Sarah Owens-Healy; Sleepy Eye, MN – Allison Renberg; Topeka – Myles Louderback; Wichita – Kelli Sheahon.

Read about more student achievements on page 5

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2010 NATIONAL TEACHERS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

Linda Evanchyk, Fort Walton Beach, FL
Darrell S. Woods, North Canton, OH
Dr. Erlene Bass Nelson, Philadelphia, PA
Warren Phillips, Halifax, MA
Dr. Alesia Slocumb-Bradford, Accokeek, MD



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ALUMNI NOTES

In Memory

Harold L. Fisher (BS), Frontenac, died December 11, 2009. He was 79. He served as a school teacher and administrator for more than 40 years, retiring in 1990 as principal from Westside Elementary School in Pittsburg. He also taught in Carterville, MO, LaHarpe, Humboldt, and McCune.

Janet Kaye Fox (BS '65), Osage City, died October 21, 2009 after a lengthy struggle with cancer. She was 68. Fox taught high school for more than 15 years at Osage City High School and for several years as an instructor for Writers Digest School. She was a published novelist, short story writer, and poet.

Wendy Evonne McDonald Winchester (BS '97), Emporia, died February 16, 2010. She was 49.

Jessica Ann Miller, Americus, died April 1, 2010 from injuries suffered in a car accident on Feb. 18. She was 22. Miller was a senior at ESU, majoring in elementary education, and was doing her student teaching at Admire Grade School. She was on the ESU Dean's Honor List.

1980s

Marlin Berry (MS '82), Olathe, will become the superintendent of the Olathe School District July 1, 2010. Previously he was superintendent of Abilene and the Smoky Valley Public Schools. He has been serving as an assistant superintendent in Olathe since 2007.

Lisa Mitchell Paige (BS '86, MS '96), Independence, performed at the Rothgeb Benefit Concert in September in Independence. She is a kindergarten teacher and instructional coach at Eisenhower Elementary School. She is a founding member and artistic director of the Independence Children's Summer Theatre.

Mike Farr, Nickerson (BSE '87), was appointed to serve as the Kansas National Education Association's secretary-treasurer in Fall 2009. He is a science teacher at Nickerson High School in the USD 309 Nickerson-South Hutchinson School District.

ESU ALUM NAMED MILKEN EDUCATOR

Brad Nicks (BSE '99), Tecumseh, was honored this spring as a 2009 Milken Family Foundation National Educator. He is a math and physical education teacher at Shawnee Heights High School who also serves as an assistant athletic director, the head track coach, and works on the football coaching staff.



1990s

Tracy Chidress (BSE '90), Coffeyville, is a physical education and health teacher at Roosevelt Middle School, the head coach of the school's football team, and head coach of the

swim team at Field Kindley High School. He has two sons, Tyler and Ryan.

Corey Wedel, (BS '93, MS '95), recently started work as a business development strategist at Prizm Productions in Kansas City, MO.

Jill Bamber (BSE '94), Leawood, was appointed in Fall 2009 by Kansas Governor Mark Parkinson to the Coordinating Council on Early Childhood Developmental Services. She has 15 years of teaching experience specializing in learning disabilities. She is involved with the Learning Disabilities Association and is a special education recruiter for the National Clearinghouse for Professions in Special Education.

Chad Higgins (BSE '95), Moundridge, is completing his first year as the superintendent for USD 423. He was the Douglass High School principal for seven years previously.

Eric Swanson (BSE '95, MS '04), Riley, was recognized by the Kansas Association of Secondary School Principals as an Area III High School Principal Honoree in Fall 2009. He is finishing his third year as the principal of Riley County High School.

Brent Sommerhauser (BS '97, BFA '97), had work on exhibit April 1-May 4, 2010 at Brett Wesley Gallery in the Las Vegas Arts District. He has exhibited extensively nationally and internationally, with his work in numerous public and private collections including the H&R Block headquarters in Kansas City, MO.

2000s

Heather Cline (BSE '00), Attica, is a pre-school teacher at Attica Public Schools. She has worked in PreK in Clearwater, Dodge City, and Medicine Lodge.

Dave Foster (MS, 00), Elk City, OK, will be the head football coach at Dodge City High School next season. Foster was the head football coach at Elk City, OK the previous eight seasons.

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TOMPKINS NAMED CEO

Andy Tompkins (MS '73), was recently named the new chief executive officer of the Kansas Board of Regents. He will take office June 1.

HELP US STAY IN TOUCH

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KSTC.....	\$500 - \$999.99
Hornet.....	\$250 - \$499.99
Century.....	\$100 - \$249.99
Loyalty.....	Less than \$100

SCHOOL NAMED FOR ALUMNA

An alumna now has an elementary school named after her. Bonnie Wilkinson was honored in late 2009 at Bonnie Wilkinson Elementary School in the Conroe Independent School District in Conroe, TX.

Her career in education started while attending a rural high school in Morrowville, KS: a teacher became ill and Wilkinson, a senior at the time, stepped in to serve as her substitute. She also served as a secretary for the high school principal, earning 25 cents an hour. After graduation, she borrowed \$200 from her grandmother to earn a provisional teaching certificate from Emporia State Teachers College. That fall, at the age of 17, she taught her first term as a teacher of grades one through eight. In 1968 she earned her bachelor's degree and later a master's degree.

She has served also as a counselor, assistant principal, and principal. As a principal at a new school in Conroe in 1990, a teacher said she arrived one morning to find Wilkinson on her hands and knees scrubbing the carpet at the school – saying she not only wanted the school to be the best but to look the best too.

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Amy Shannon (BSE '00), Humboldt, is finishing her first year as the art teacher at the Bowlus Fine Arts Center. Previously she taught art at Lincoln Elementary in Iola.

Amanda Kooser (BSE '01), Highland, is teaching fourth grade in Highland, KS. Previously she taught elementary special education at Sabetha.

Jim McMullen (MS '01), Olathe, will serve as the first principal of Mission Trail Middle School when it opens in August 2010. Previously he served as director of student services for the Olathe School District, principal at Frontier Trail Junior High School, and associate principal at Shawnee Mission North High School.

Mark Treaster (MS '01), Pretty Prairie, AR, was one of five people appointed to serve on the Kansas Farm Service Agency State Committee by the Obama administration in January. The committee members oversee the activities of the agency, including carrying out state agricultural conservation programs, resolving appeals from the agriculture community, and helping to keep producers informed about FSA programs. Treaster has been a managing partner of Mercer's Stapes Farm since 1979. He served in the Kansas House of Representatives from 2005-2009.

Cynthia Gilger (BS '02, MS '07), Emporia, is preparing to market a card game she designed to educate people on dog breeds. Pedigree Muster: Canine is divided into seven AKC

categories with 15 breeds in each category; there are a total of 105 breeds represented in the deck.

Amanda Loving (BSE '02, MS '09), Pawnee Rock, was presented the Special Educator of the Year Award in Fall 2009. She has served as a learning disabilities teacher at Riley School in Great Bend for eight years.

Becky Schultz (BSE '03), Wichita, gave birth to her second child, Chloe Martin, October 14, 2009. She has another daughter, Julianna Chirstine, born in 2006.

Julie Riebel (BSE '05), Iola, is completing her first year as a Title I teacher at McKinley Elementary. Previously she worked at LaHarpe Elementary School.

Scott Riebel (BSE '05), Iola, is finishing his first year teaching fourth grade at Jefferson Elementary. Previously he has held teaching positions in Iola, LaHarpe and Chanute.

Josie Mardis, Yates Center (BSE '06), was awarded the Peter John Loux Award by the Cerebral Palsy Research Foundation of Kansas, Inc. in October 2009. Mardis was injured in a car accident when she was 17, resulting in a spinal cord injury. The award is given to Kansans who have exceptional desire and dedication to overcoming the obstacles of living with a disability.

Tranda Ihrig (BFA '08, BSE '10), Russell, started as an art teacher for Simpson and Bickerdyke Elementary Schools this school year.

MASTER TEACHERS HONORED

Seven teachers were honored this Spring as Kansas Master Teachers.

They were:

- ESU alumna Eleanor Browning (BS, MS), Special Education Reading Coach, Flint Hills Special Education Cooperative, Mary Herbert Educational Center, USD 253 – Emporia
- ESU alumna Kathy Doussa, First Grade Teacher, Northwest Elementary School, USD 443 – Dodge City
- Michael Dunlap, Journalism Teacher/Publications Adviser, Blue Valley West High School, USD 229 – Overland Park
- Lou Ann Getz, Clinical Instructor, Anthony & Eisenhower Middle Schools, Kansas State University Professional Development School, USD 383 – Manhattan/Ogden
- Sheila A. Lewis, Tecumseh North Elementary School, USD 450 – Shawnee Heights
- Andrea Sayler-Siefkes, Science Teacher, St. John High School, USD 350 – St. John/Hudson
- Kassie Shook, Sunflower Elementary First Grade, Lawrence Public School, USD 497 – Lawrence

ESU established the Kansas Master Teacher awards in 1953. The awards are presented annually to teachers who have served the profession long and well and who also typify the good qualities of earnest and conscientious teachers.

ESU's HORIZON AWARD RECIPIENTS

Six of the 31 winners of this year's Kansas State Department of Education Horizon Awards earned their bachelor's degrees from ESU.

Horizon Award winners with degrees from ESU include:

- Jesse Ediger (BSE 2008), Graber Elementary School, Hutchinson USD 308
- Grant Geis (BSE 2008), Emporia High School, Emporia USD 253
- Kristy Randel (BSE 2008), Grant F. Timmerman Elementary School, Emporia USD 253
- Scott Schoenfeld (BSE 2007), Southeast of Saline Elementary School, Southeast of Saline USD 306
- Shanda Day (BSE 2007), Amelia Earhart Elementary School, Goddard USD 265
- Joe Gehrre (BSE 2008) Meadow Elementary School, Andover USD 385

NEW ALUMNI RELATIONS DIRECTOR ANNOUNCED

K. Tyler Curtis was appointed director of alumni relations and legislative liaison at ESU in April.

Curtis (BSE '01, MS '04) will join the University Advancement office on June 28. He will be the seventh director in the Alumni Association's history.

He taught language arts for Seaman USD 345 in Topeka for seven years and was named Teacher of the Year for Seaman High School in 2008. Most recently he has been the principal at Bert Nash School in Atchison.

Curtis is married to Melanie Ervin Curtis (BSE '01, MS '04) and has two young daughters.

BY THE NUMBERS

- 84% - initial certification rate for candidates seeking national board certification through the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards
- 79% - the five-year success rate for students assisted through the ESU Reading Recovery program
- 1,000+ - KS high school students have attended the Kansas Future Teacher Academy since it began 21 years ago

The Jones Institute for Educational Excellence is home to a number of programs included above that assist educators and their organizations. To find out more, visit www.emporia.edu/jones/.

MEHRHOF HONORED

Dr. Joella Mehrhof was awarded the National Association for Sport and Physical Education's Outstanding Mentor of the Year Award.

In March, Mehrhof, professor of health, physical education and recreation at ESU, was recognized for what students and colleagues call a tireless commitment to the success of her students.

Mehrfhof has been called "a role model of professionalism" by colleagues. Mehrhof's 26-year career at ESU has been distinguished by service to state, regional and national organizations dealing

with physical education. Her mentoring work includes accompanying more than 100 students to AAHPERD conventions during the past five years.

NASPE's Outstanding Mentor national award annually honors one higher education faculty member's efforts to mentor undergraduate and graduate students pursuing degrees in physical education and related fields.



EDUCATION FACULTY AWARDS

In January, three members of The Teachers College faculty at ESU were honored by the college for their work.

Excellence in instruction - Elizabeth Dobler, associate professor in elementary teacher education, has earned a reputation from her students as a rigorous, but very fair and practical instructor in her elementary reading and language arts courses.

Excellence in scholarly activity - Matt Seimears, assistant professor in early childhood/elementary teacher education, has published in a number of scholarly venues, from refereed state

LAUNCHING OF

DUAL DEGREE PROGRAM WITH CHINA

ESU will be one of 17 public universities in the US participating in a program aimed at creating dual degree opportunities with selected universities in China. When ESU's participation begins in 2011, the Sino-American 1+2+1 Dual Degree Program will bring Chinese students to the ESU campus for two years of their college experience, as well as offer students and faculty from ESU opportunities to study in China.

This partnership will allow ESU to connect with new higher education institutions in China, identifying students who will participate in the exchange program. Chinese students will spend the first year of their college education in their native country as ESU identifies the courses needed during their second and third years on the Emporia campus. The students will spend the final year of their coursework back in their native country.

Dr. Marcus Childress, chair of ESU's Instructional Design and Technology department, will travel with ESU administrators to China in mid-June to participate in the 10th anniversary celebration of the AASCU/CCIEE 1+2+1 program as well as meet with colleagues from selected institutions.

SEIMEARS RECEIVES PRESIDENT'S AWARD

Dr. Matt Seimears, assistant professor in the department of early childhood/elementary teacher education, received the 2010 President's Award for Research and Creativity.

A faculty member at ESU since 2004, Seimears has pursued a wide range of scholarly activities,

IDT STUDENTS NAMED BEST AT NATIONAL COMPETITION

While an instructional design solution produced by Jennifer Gibson (MS '10) and Elizabeth Ermis (MS '10) was judged the best of the competition, the two ESU students who developed the plan had never met face to face until the day before they presented it.

Gibson lives in Lawrence, KS, and Ermis lives in High Point, NC. Their presentation was judged the best of three solutions at the AECT-Pacificorp Design and Development Competition in 2009.

All their classroom learning, collaboration and idea-sharing had been done online. Ermis and Gibson, as master's degree students, competed with students from doctoral degree programs.



Elizabeth Ermis (l) and Jennifer Gibson (r)

and national journals to co-authoring several books within the last two years.

Darrell E. Wood Service Award - Dee Holmes, instructor in elementary teacher education, is noted for her professional wisdom, support and advice. Students regard her as a sounding board for all manner of professional and personal issues and questions. Each year The Teachers College presents the Darrell E. Wood Service Award to an individual who has supported the mission of the college in a unique or outstanding manner.

STUDENT NOTES

John Meara, Fort Scott, was honored with an award for excellence in teaching. Meara, who is working on his master's degree in psychology, was one of two students to receive the Graduate Teaching Assistant University Award for Excellent Teaching at the research and creativity forum.

A student in the Teachers College has been named as one of two ESU's Laurence C. Boylan Scholar Award winners for 2010-11: Kayla Flanigan, of Urbandale, IA, is currently working on her master's degree in Art Therapy through the department of psychology, art therapy, rehabilitation and mental health counseling.

Physical Education major Kristin Gilmore was named the Kansas Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance (KAHPERD) Student Major of the Year in Fall 2009.

FACULTY NOTES

Amy Townsend, instructor in the Health, Physical Education and Recreation department, won the KAHPERD health educator of the year award in Fall 2009.

Jodie Leiss, instructor in the Health, Physical Education and Recreation department, became the president of the Kansas Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance (KAHPERD) in Fall 2009. She will serve one year in the post.



including national and international presentations, publications in refereed state and national journals, and several books.

The award was established in 1996 to honor research, scholarly activity, or creative endeavors at ESU.

SAVE THE DATE:

OCTOBER 23, 2010 - ESU HOMECOMING

Visit www.emporia.edu/homecoming to find out the schedule of events for the weekend.

STUDENTS BASE PROJECT ON GAME SHOW

As in the case of most learning exercises, both the students and the teachers come out on the winning side. And this year's Math Trails activity at Emporia Middle School serves as a case in point.

Students in ESU's Math Methods classes built this year's Math Trails around "Price is Right" game show theme, with approximately 200 middle school students and parents circulating around a series of math games developed by the students.

The middle school students get a better understanding of math... and the college students take home a new bag of math tricks to try out on their classrooms when they become teachers.

View it online at:

www.emporia.edu/news/archives/2010/march/mathtrails.htm

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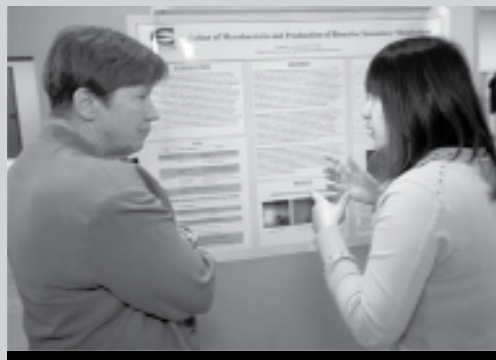
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ERMLER TO LEAD GRADUATE SCHOOL AND DISTANCE EDUCATION

Dr. Kathy Ermler will become dean of ESU's Graduate School and Distance Education in June. Currently the chair of the health, physical education and recreation department, Ermler has been the graduate adviser for HPER students for the past 20 years.

Ermler worked with department faculty to design and offer the first completely online master's degree in physical education in the US.

Nationally known in her discipline, Ermler has served on the Governor's Council on Fitness, been a reviewer for state and national journals, and has held several state and national offices for professional associations connected to physical education.



Dr. Kathy Ermler, left, visits with Dandan Liu, graduate research assistant, at the April 7 ESU Research and Creativity Forum.

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