

The Lead

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Dean's Message

Greetings everyone,

Happy New Year to you all!

I hope you and your family had a great holiday. It has been nice to visit with the returning faculty and staff as they busily prepare for the start of spring classes. The College of Education and Human Services (COEHS) had a very productive year in 2022, and 2023 promises to be even better. As we migrate to a new SIS system and take advantage of the operational efficiencies the COEHS has defined internally, the hope is that less time will be spent on process and more time will be focused on curricular innovations and student support. In the coming weeks, we plan to finalize the new Human Services Counseling Collaboration Lab which will be the first of its kind at Lindenwood. Similarly, we plan to complete the COEHS Center for Innovation and Insight and aggressively proceed with its operation. To this end, we will be soliciting a donor sponsor with naming rights for the new center.



As always, we will continue to support and recognize our faculty and staff as they work in the best interest of the College and its students.

I hope you enjoy this edition of The Lead.

Very best,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Anthony Scheffler". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Anthony Scheffler, Ph.D.
Dean, Lindenwood College of Education and Human Services

Featured Stories



Missouri Association of Rural Education Scholarship

The Missouri Association of Rural Education has announced its annual opportunity to apply for its Rural Missouri Scholarship. The organization will award at least (20) twenty \$ 1,000 scholarships to juniors or seniors majoring in education who plan to teach in a rural school. All applicants from the COEHS must be reviewed by a department member and recommended by the department. Check out the website www.moare.com for additional information and to access the application. Return your application to Dr. Jill Hutcheson, Associate Dean, at jhutcheson@lindenwood.edu.

Dr. Hutcheson will acknowledge receipt of each application and forward them to the Missouri Associate of Rural education.

The deadline for your application to Dr. Hutcheson is March 1, 2023.

COEHS Professors receive Faculty Scholarships for the 2023-2024 school year

Congratulations to Dr. Mitch Nasser and Dr. Tonya Thompson for receiving Faculty Scholarships for the 2023-2024 school year!

Faculty Scholarships are granted through a blind application process that requires faculty to submit research proposals to the Faculty Scholarship Committee (FSC). The faculty member's request for consideration details their plans for research and a timeline for their project, as well as the benefits to Lindenwood University and LU students, and the field of education. The proposals, which must meet specific criteria as presented on a rubric, are reviewed anonymously by the eight members of the Faculty Scholarship Committee. Once approved by the FSC, the proposals are sent to the Provost for final approval. Faculty receiving scholarships are granted a reduction in deployment to dedicate time to research with the intention of disseminating their findings through presentation or publishing.

The College of Education and Human Services looks forward to the results of Dr. Nasser's and Dr. Thompson's research!



COEHS, Academic, Retention & Certification Center

Certification Corner DESE Updates

Are you seeking completion of a teaching certification? If so, please reach out to

certifications@lindenwood.edu

with questions concerning department of elementary and secondary education certification (DESE) requirements.

DESE updates

- Substitute Teacher certification can now be obtained with 36 college credits.



[View Substitute Teacher Checklist](#)

Curriculum & Instruction

Celebration of Teaching Honors Outstanding Cooperating Teachers and New Teachers

Kappa Delta Pi- Tau Phi sponsored a Celebration of Teaching for the Teacher Candidates completing their student teaching experience in the fall of 2022 on December 9, 2022.

Shaunda Miller-Wade of Normandy School District and Tina Dedic of Rockwood School District was chosen as the Outstanding Cooperating Teachers for the fall 2022 semester and were honored at the ceremony.

The teacher candidates were presented with pennants and alumni pins by the College of Education and Human Services leadership. The Advancement and Community Engagement team and the Alumni Relations representatives were present to show their support and to congratulate our candidates as newly certified teachers.



DESE's Federal Program Conference Presentation



Adjunct instructor Dr. Daisy Skelly and colleagues presented at the 2022 Federal Programs Conference sponsored by DESE in November. The Federal Programs Conference was for Missouri School District administration, staff, and teachers working with Federal Title programs, such as Title I reading and Title III English Learners. Missouri's Commissioner of Education Margie Vandeven and former Teacher of the Year in Madison, Alabama, Chelonnda Seroyer were featured keynote speakers. Dr.

Skelly and MELL specialist Rob Greenhaw presented a session titled, "How do they fit? English Learners and the Science of Reading." Another session presented by Dr. Skelly and Mrs. Rachel Mizera was "Anchoring Writing Instruction: Using Performance Level Descriptors in the Classroom". Both sessions were well attended and well received. If you are interested in the topics covered in the presentations, please contact Dr. Skelly at dskelly@lindenwood.edu.

Educational Leadership

Fall 2022 Issue of the *Journal of Educational Leadership in Action* Available on Digital Commons



The Fall 2022 issue of the [*Journal of Educational Leadership in Action*](#) (ELA) is now available and provides research on health-related issues in education, including COVID-19, as well as varied research on leadership practices. This issue contributes perspectives on the health of Latinx populations, the pandemic's impact on principals' and counselors' self-efficacy, and teachers' perspectives of work-family responsibilities during remote teaching.

Further, this issue presents innovative research in the field of leadership, specifically, a reflection from an administration on the collaboration of schools, leadership traits of senior student affairs officers, conceptualization of

leadership of South Korean and United States faculty, and assessment of enrollment rates at a Nigerian university. The editors of ELA welcome and value your readership and encourage you to submit for future publication(s).

Doctoral Student to Present at Spring Higher Education Conference

In "*Writing for Research and Publication*" (EDR 58000), Doctoral Student, Donna Bradley worked with COEHS Adjunct, Dr. Sarah Schoper to transform a classroom assignment into a program proposal for the Conference on Higher Education Values, Identities, Belonging, and Purpose. Her program proposal topic is *Experiences at Rural Colleges of African American Students from Urban Communities: The Sense of Belonging, Inclusion, Identity, and Purpose*. Bradley recently learned of the acceptance of her proposal and looks forward to presenting her topic.

The conference is virtual and will be held from February 8-10, 2023.

[Click Here to Register](#)

Students Successfully Complete Doctoral Dissertation Defenses

Several students recently completed successful defenses of their doctoral dissertations, earning their Doctorate in Education.

Brandon Richard Foley defended his dissertation titled "A Mixed Methods Study Regarding the Impact Virtual Education had on Teachers During COVID-19." His dissertation chair was Dr. Shelly Fransen.

Erneice J. Jackson defended her dissertation titled "Algebraic Reasoning and Conceptual Understanding: A Mixed Methods Comparison of In-Person and Virtual Classroom Strategies." Her dissertation chair was Dr. Sherrie Wisdom.

Elizabeth Rose Taylor Smith defended her dissertation titled "Beliefs About Homework." Her dissertation chair was Dr. Kevin Winslow.

Merzudin Selimovic defended her dissertation titled “A Comparative Study of Instructional Perspectives among Learning and Development Practitioners.” Her dissertation chair was Dr. Tammy Moore.

Donna Bradley defended her dissertation titled “The College Admissions Process for Returning Citizens and Ex-Offenders at a Small, Private Midwestern College.” Her dissertation chair was Dr. Joseph Zlatic.

Bryan Austin defended his dissertation titled “The Impact of Intervention Programs for Teenagers at Risk among Middle and High School Students in Southeast Missouri.” His dissertation chair was Dr. Donna Wagner.

Stephen Beauchamp defended his dissertation titled “Lessons Learned from Emergency Remote Teaching and Learning in a Suburban High School.” His dissertation chair was Dr. Robyne Elder.

[Click Here to Read Their Abstracts](#)

COEHS Caught You Caring

The Caught-You-Caring program is an incentive designed to recognize student workers, staff, and faculty, within the College of Education and Human Services.

The LU College of Education and Human Services Presents...

Caught You Caring Get Ready to Nominate!

The Caught-You-Caring program is an incentive designed to recognize student workers, staff, and faculty, within the College of Education and Human Services, who have gone above and beyond their expected work.

Who Can Nominate:

- ✓ Lindenwood Students
- ✓ Lindenwood Stakeholders
- ✓ Lindenwood Alumni

Who is Eligible to be Nominated:

- ✓ COEHS Full Faculty
- ✓ COEHS Student Workers
- ✓ COEHS Staff



Nominations close on January 27th

[Click Here to Submit
Your Nomination](#)

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If you have any questions or concerns please email the COEHS Office Manager, Lisa Berryhill, at Aberryhill@lindenwood.edu

[Want to be featured in the next issue of The Lead? Click here to submit an article.](#)

Selfies with Murphy

Need a joyful moment? Feeling stressed? Stop by Roemer Hall on Thursdays from 11am-2pm and let Murphy, our mascot, give you something to smile about!

Murphy will be around on Thursdays starting in January for hugs and selfies.



We hope you enjoyed this issue of The Lead!

Please email any suggestions or feedback to COEHS@lindenwood.edu

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