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Stephens new director of counseling program

Lindenwood University has announced that Dr. Tom Stephens, Assistant Dean of Education, has been appointed to direct the Professional and School Counseling Program.

This is a reflection of the increasing number of students who are choosing to pursue the School Counseling concentration. In the past few years, the need for qualified individuals in both areas of counseling has increased dramatically.

Stephens is a former teacher, school administrator, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources in two school districts, and Superintendent of Schools. He retired as Superintendent of the Wentzville School District in June 2003.

He has been with Lindenwood full time since November 2003. Currently, he also works with other Education staff members at Lindenwood to help prepare individuals to become teachers. He is the primary contact person for the Master of Arts in Teaching program. In addition to his work in the Education and Counseling graduate programs, he directs the dual credit high school programs at the Troy R-III and Wentzville School Districts.

In 2004, he received the Emerson Teaching Award. This award is given each year to a professor who demonstrates outstanding teaching ability, dedication, and enthusiasm. His education includes a doctorate from Saint Louis University. Dr. Stephens and his wife Jackie have been residents of Lake Saint Louis since 1996.

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