

The Ability Advisor

"Focusing on Student Abilities"



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Quote of the Month:

Some Native American Wisdom

A Native American elder once described his own inner struggles in this manner:

"Inside of me there are two dogs. One of the dogs is mean and evil. The other dog is good. The mean dog fights the good dog all the time."

When asked which dog wins, he reflected for a moment and replied, "The one I feed the most."

Exciting Professional Development Opportunity:

The Oklahoma Department of Career Tech will offer a *train the trainer* workshop for *conflict resolution and crisis prevention*. **The Mandt System** of training will be held June 4-10, 2011 in Stillwater, OK. Participants will be asked to pay \$150 to cover the cost of food and incidentals. Participants must attend the full training, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and commit to train others in their district for a 14 hour workshop. Serious applicants may contact Kim Eason at ODCTE by email keaso@okcareertech.org or call 405-743-5596 for further information.



Special Olympics

Oklahoma

Be a fan.[™]

Hundreds of volunteers are needed to plan, organize and accomplish a successful Summer Games every year. Some volunteers come out for a day to assist athletes in their competitions. Some volunteers work virtually year-round on Summer Games' planning committees. People interested in volunteering at Summer Games should contact the State Office at 918-481-1234 or email at info@sook.org.

Casey Cundiff Scholarships: Deadline extended to MAY 6

It is time to apply for the Casey Cundiff scholarship for ODCTE students with disabilities. Information and application forms can be viewed online at the following link:
<http://okessp.org/node/24>

Are You Officer Material?

ESSP would love to have you. If you are interested in running for an office for ESSP next year, please contact Denise North denise.north@metrotech.edu or Kim Eason keaso@okcareertech.org. We have a few openings for the 2011-2012 school year.

Summer Conference 2011:

Summer Conference will be in Tulsa this year. Registration and exhibits open on Monday, August 1, 2011 at 8:00 a.m. at the Tulsa Convention Center. General Session begins at 10:00 a.m. at the Convention Center. Divisional Meetings will begin Tuesday, August 2, 2011 at OSU Tulsa. Guidance, Tech Prep, TANF, STEM, and Special Needs will be at OSU Tulsa. The Conference web site is available and you may register now.

Summer Conference Web Site:



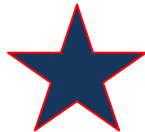
<http://www.okcareertech.org/summer-conference/>

**** **Student Services Endorsement** program applications will be available at Summer Conference. If you are a new (or somewhat new) professional in the Career Tech system, and you are interested in participating in an intensive professional development opportunity next year, watch for more information on **SSE**.*

★ Carl Perkins Supplemental Grants are online. Deadline is June 1

Please contact me with questions, comments, or concerns. I'll look forward to your emails and phone calls.

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