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Teacher Candidate Weekly Updates Jan 14, 2022

Winter Class Delivery

The Faculty of Education is currently delivering all B.Ed. courses virtually, but we do plan for previously scheduled in-person courses to begin as in-person courses after January 31st. Students registered in such in-person classes will be given at least 2-weeks advance notice of any such return to in-person learning. Decisions about the delivery of courses for the remainder of the winter semester are also contingent upon direction from the University of Windsor. An announcement from President Rob Gordon is expected as early as Monday, January 17th.

Temporary Teaching Certificate

We have been receiving many questions about the temporary teaching certificate. Our current policy can be viewed at (<https://www.uwindsor.ca/education/information>). We can confirm that on January 13th the provincial government formally amended regulations under the *Ontario College of Teachers Act* to expand eligibility for this temporary teaching certificate. All Ontario Faculties of Education are meeting today, January 14th, with provincial government representatives to discuss the implications of these changes. For now we are recommending that all students in the final year of their B.Ed. program (consecutive and concurrent) plan to make an application for this temporary teaching certificate (<https://www.oct.ca/becoming-a-teacher/requirements/temporary-certificate>). We will update everyone just as soon as further details are available.

External Placement

The deadline for year 2 teacher candidates to request an external placement for the winter semester was Jan 7th. The Field Experience Office received 74 such requests, which is much more than we would typically receive prior to the pandemic. We can make no guarantee about any of these requests, but, as always, the Field Experience Office will work with our partner schoolboards to confirm as many such external placements as possible.

Winter Placement

The Dean, Acting Associate Dean, and the Field Experience Coordinator met this week with the superintendent of GECDsB to discuss winter semester placements and the temporary teaching certificate. Meetings with our other key school board partners (WECDsB, Lambton-Kent, St. Clair) are being scheduled from next week. The Faculty greatly appreciates each board's tremendous support of our teacher education program.

Math Proficiency Test

The Mathematics Proficiency Test (MPT) is no longer a certification requirement.

<https://www.oct.ca/public/media/announcements/math-proficiency-test-no-longer-a-certification-requirement>

Upcoming Events

Join us virtually on **Friday, January 14** to learn about opportunities available in the local school boards. **It is very important to register for each session you plan to attend** on mySuccess so that you will receive instructions on how to join that particular session.

Please learn more about the fair at the following event

website: <https://www.uwindsor.ca/career-development-experiential/561/education-career-fair>

The schedule for Friday's event is as follows. You can register directly through the mySuccess links:

Start Time	Exhibitor	mySuccess Link
12:30	Greater Essex Country District School Board	https://success.uwindsor.ca/events.htm?evtId=12233
1:15	St. Clair Catholic District School Board	https://success.uwindsor.ca/events.htm?evtId=12232
2:00	Windsor-Essex Catholic District School Board	https://success.uwindsor.ca/events.htm?evtId=12229
2:45	Lambton Kent District School Board	https://success.uwindsor.ca/events.htm?evtId=12231
3:30	Conseil Scolaire Catholique Providence	https://success.uwindsor.ca/events.htm?evtId=12230

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