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# Agreements Ease Transfer for Three Rivers Nursing, Education Grads to Southeast

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Southeast Missouri State University and Three Rivers College (TRC) officials signed articulation agreements Oct. 19 paving the way for a seamless transition for Three Rivers Associate of Applied Science in Nursing graduates into Southeast's online RN-BSN program and for Three Rivers Associate of Arts in Teaching graduates to transfer into five Southeast Bachelor of Science in Education programs.

Under the nursing articulation agreement, a slate of 15 100- to 200-level courses taken at Three Rivers by Associate of Applied Science in Nursing students, now will fulfill the requirements for the lower level University Studies (general education) requirements at Southeast, easing their transfer to Southeast's online RN-BSN program. The education articulation agreement signing eases the transfer for students from TRC's Associate of Arts in Teaching to Southeast's Bachelor of Science in Education programs in early childhood education with elementary education add-on certification; elementary education with middle school language arts add-on certification; exceptional child education with elementary education add-on certification; elementary education; and middle school education.

"We are so pleased to partner with Three Rivers College on these agreements," said Dr. Carlos Vargas, president of Southeast Missouri State University. "Southeast's online RN-BSN program recently was recognized by College Choice among the nation's best online RN-BSN programs, and just last week, Southeast's College of Education was named an

Apple Distinguished School. Southeast Missouri State University is delighted these collaborations will simplify the path for students to advance their education at Southeast in these outstanding programs as they prepare to launch extraordinary careers in education and the healthcare industry.”

Dr. Wesley Payne, president of Three Rivers College, added, “We’re proud to be able to continue working with Southeast Missouri State University to create better opportunities, and greater availability of education, for the people in our region. This agreement will make it easier for nurses across our region to continue their education and improve their skills, and will support healthcare in southeast Missouri in the process.

“We’re also pleased to sign an agreement which will make the transfer of students from our Associate of Arts in Teaching programs to Southeast’s Bachelor of Science in Education programs even easier,” Payne added. “Education is the lifeblood of the region, and we’re committed to helping provide excellent teachers to southeast Missouri.”

“Two areas of study in higher education that continue to be in demand in this region are health care and education,” said Dr. Justin Hoggard, Dean of Instruction at Three Rivers College.

“The articulation agreements signed Thursday in nursing, as well as the AAT in Education, underscore the commitment of both institutions to continue to provide quality educational opportunities for students close to home,” he said. “This means more professionals in high-demand career fields will be available for employment in southeast Missouri.”

Dr. Diana Rogers-Adkinson, dean of Southeast’s College of Education said the education articulation agreement allows students to complete Southeast education degrees on the Three Rivers campus, giving students the opportunity to save money by studying locally while still attending an award-winning program.

Similarly, Dr. Gloria Green, chair of Southeast’s Department of Nursing, said the nursing agreement allows students to complete a bachelor’s degree with a minimum amount of additional coursework and in a program recognized for excellence.

“They have the flexibility of an online program, and the assurance of an RN-BSN program of superior quality, fully accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE),” she said.

Dr. Staci Foster, Chair of Nursing and Allied Health at Three Rivers College, said, the nursing articulation agreement signed Thursday “will be a benefit to students in all of Three Rivers’ nursing programs because it provides a clear, convenient pathway to a BSN degree without ever having to leave the region. You can now get your start in healthcare through our affordable, high-quality RN programs in Poplar Bluff or our LPN-RN Bridge programs in Poplar Bluff and Sikeston, then make the jump to a four-year degree without leaving your hometown.

“In addition to providing career opportunities for area residents, this is also a great boost to healthcare providers across the region,” she said. “They now have access to an even better pool of highly skilled nurses, trained right in their backyard, because of this partnership. We’re pleased to work with Southeast Missouri State University to provide this support to our students, local healthcare providers, and the patients they serve.”

Southeast’s nursing program is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Students can finish their Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) at Southeast online in as little as one year if all their general education is completed at Three Rivers College. Southeast courses are taught by qualified nursing professionals, and field experiences are tailored to students’ specific interests.

To be admitted to Southeast’s RN-BSN program, Three Rivers students must have a current RN licensure, a minimum cumulative 2.8 grade point average and completion of Chemistry, Anatomy & Physiology, English Composition II and all required documentation through CastleBranch as outlined in the RN-BSN Handbook at <http://www.semo.edu/pdf/Nursing-RN-BSN-Handbook.pdf>. A minimum of 30 credit hours must be taken in residence at Southeast. Thirty-nine upper-division credit hours at or above the 300 level are required for graduation, Southeast officials said.

Southeast educator preparation programs are accredited by the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) and the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE)

For more information or to inquire about conditional admission into Southeast’s online RN-BSN program, contact Southeast Online at (573) 651-2766 or [southeastonline@semo.edu](mailto:southeastonline@semo.edu). For information on Southeast College of Education degree programs, call (573) 651-2123 or [coe@semo.edu](mailto:coe@semo.edu).

For information on the nursing and education programs at Three Rivers, as well as information on enrolling and other programs, call 877-TRY-TRCC (877-879-8722) or

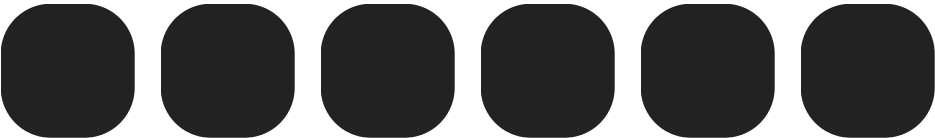
visit [trcc.edu](http://trcc.edu).

Pictured: Dr. Carlos Vargas, President of Southeast Missouri State University, and Dr. Wesley Payne, President of Three Rivers College, sign an agreement that will smooth transfers between Three Rivers’ Nursing and Associate of Arts in Teaching programs to Southeast Missouri State University’s Bachelor of Science in Nursing and Bachelor of Science in Education programs.

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# Dexter R-XI School Board Meeting Minutes from Tuesday, October 17, 2017

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Dexter R-XI School Board Meeting Minutes from Tuesday, October 17, 2017

Dexter, Missouri - The Dexter R-XII School Board met at their regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, October 17, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. Below are the minutes from that meeting.

1. Call to Order/Roll Call/Pledge
2. The Board President announced the meeting is to begin, ascertains the attendance status of all board members with everyone being present.
3. He then leads in the saying of the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. Consent Agenda: The Consent Agenda was approved.
5. Public Comments: There were no public comments made.
6. Old Business:

The board approved the final version of the district drug testing policy after the district received legal counsel concerning the policy.
7. New Business:
  - A. The board approved the A+ Report for the 2016-17 school year.
  - B. The board approved the 2017-18 Assessment Plan as presented by Dr. Williams.
  - C. The board approved the purchase of a 2006 Chevrolet Commercial Box Van.
8. Discussion Items:
  - A. Mr. Counts discussed the district's policy provider. The board voted to switch to MCE policies for the 2018 school year.
  - B. Mr. Counts informed the board the Veterans Day program is scheduled for November 10th at 9:30.
  - C. The nurses report provided by Linda Milam, was shared with the board by Mr. Counts.
  - D. The building principals gave their reports to the board.

E. Mr. Counts reported to the board on the district's enrollment at this point in the year.

F. The November board meeting was set for November 21, 2017 at 6:00.

In Closed Session:

1. The board employed the following substitutes teachers for 2017-18: Jamie Jones and Rhonda Lane
2. The board approved the following retirement letters effective at the conclusion of the 2017-2018 school year: Connie Heil and Teresa Kapelski

The board approved the following resignations effective Dec. 15, 2017: Tate Midkiff and Victoria Sayre

Items presented to the board for informational purposes for future meetings or for discussion include:

None at this time

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# Central Elementary Releases 5th Grade Honor Roll for 1st Quarter

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Below are the following 5th grade Honor Roll students in alphabetical order:

AVEREE ACKMAN, LANDON AKRIDGE, ERIC AVERY, EVAN AVERY, RANDELL BECK, CAMERON BELL, LUKE BISHOP, LAWSON BLOCKER, ELIZABETH BOLIN, TESSLA BONER, BROOKLYN BOYER, ANNALISA BRADLEY, COOPER BUCHANAN, MADISON CAREY, KATI CARRILLO, CHRISTIAN CHAPPELL, BENJAMIN CHRISTIAN, CHRISTOPHER CRADER, and AUDREY CULP.

MONTANA DAVISON, RYLEE DAWSON, BENJAMIN DOWDY, BROOKLYNN FRANKLIN, ETHAN GLAUS, RYAN GOODE, KIERA GOODMAN, CHRISTIAAN HAASBROEK-WIRZ, LYDIA HANNER, JONATHAN MICHAEL HARRIS, PEYTON HARTLINE, MARLIE HATTON, KAYLYNN HAWS, AUNDREA HERNANDEZ, KASMIRA HESTER, KAYLEA HODGE, MAKAYLA HOOK, JAMES JACKSON HOWARD, SOPHIA JAMES, ANNEY JAYNES, KINSEY JELINEK, RYAN

KAUFMAN, KINLEY KENNEDY, KENADY KRAPP, and THOMAS LEE.

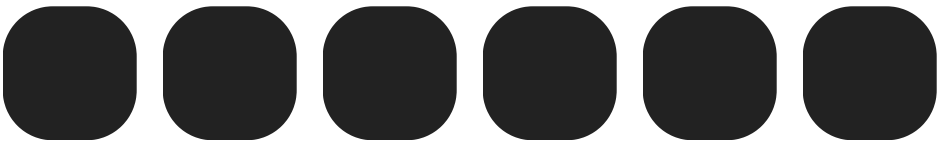
PUJA S MAISURIA, RICARDO MARTINEZ, ASHLEY MCCOY, KAYLEY MCCOY, LEE-MICHAEL MCDONALD, MAGGIE MCMILLION, CARLY MCMUNN, FISHER MENLEY, OWEN MILLER, ZOE MINKS, BRYDEN MOORE, JUSTIN MURPHY, KATELYN NICHOLS, FAITH RENEA OLSEN, JAKE WILLIAM PAINE, JOSEPH PASSLEY, EMMA PENNINGTON, ISABELLA PITTMAN, DREXLER POPE, ADELINE PRANCE, and LOGAN PULLUM.

SAWYER RASCHER, AVERY RILEY, CALE ROBINSON, LUCAS ROGERS, KAYLEE RUTLEDGE, LAYTON SHAFER, ALEXIS SISK, KAYLEA SMITH, RHYLEY SPENCER, HADEN STAFFORD, CAROLINE STONE, FAIRYANN SURGEON, MADISON SUTTON, KOLTEN TELLMAN, TUCKER TEMPLES, CHLOE TINNIN, ESSABELLA VOSS, KAILEIGH WALLACE, KYLEE WARNER, THAIS WATERS, CALI JONES WHITE, KORBIN WILLIAMS, COOPER WORLEY, and FEBE CHANEL WORLEY.

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Below are the following 4th grade Honor Roll students in alphabetical order:

LANDON BLAYKE ANNESSER, CARSON ANTHONY, DAWSON BATTLES, MERIDETH BENTON, CHARLENE BESS, GABRIEL BESS, EMILY BOLIN, TAYLOR BONER, GIBSON BOOKER, CADENCE BUENAVENTURA, KARIE ALEXANDRA BURTON, OLIVIA CALCAGNO, TANNER CALDWELL, MATTILYNN CARLSON, SERINA CHURCHILL, EMMELIA CLIFF, CALI COMFORT, BRITNEY COOPER, DESTANY CURETON, and BRANDI CURRAN.

RYAN COLE EATON, KLAIRE ESSNER, BRILYN EVANS, ALEXIS EZELL, CALEB FARMER, DAWSON LUKE FICHTEL, ERIN FICHTEL, XAVIER FISCHER, KEELEIGH FLANIGAN, LOGAN FRITCH, ALEXIS MARIE GALLOWAY, ALEXIS GEARY, JADYN GOODMAN, SARAH GRANGER, DEXTER GREEN, SHAWN HARP, ALLYSON HAWKINS, RILEE HAYES, WYATT HICKMAN, CONNER HILL, JOHN HILL, WYATT HOCKERSMITH, SARAH HUDSON, PATRICIA

JOHNSON, RYLEE KELLEY, KARIS KENNEDY, LEVI KESTNER, CAMERON TYLER KING, JAXON KING, ADDISON LACY, CARTER LACY, LANDEN LACY, NOLAN LACY, and AUSTIN LASATER.

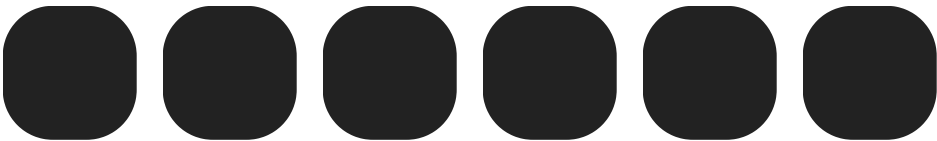
JAYLYN LINDEMANN, HANNAH MACLIN, LOGAN MARTIN, RILEY JAMES MASON, ADDISON MCCORD, NATHANIEL MATTHEW MCVEY, AVERY MEDLEY, EVANIE MILLER, HALEY MILLER, ALEXIS MOORE, JACKSON MOORE, TRISHA MORRIS, CARSON MULLINS, ADRIAN MUNOZ, KENLI MUSGRAVE, MEREDITH NEA, HOUSTON NEELY, ELIZABETH CLAIRE NORRIS, SADIE NORTH, ETHAN PARISH, MALIA POLLEY, DEACON PULLEN, TARA PULLUM, and KILIE PYLE.

NAKITA RAY, DAVID RODRIGUEZ, AIREONA PAIGE ROPER, PRESTEN ROSE, JACOB RUPPEL, EMMA SADLER, AVA SCHAEFER, ELI SCOTT, JOHN SEPULVADO, JONAS SHOEMAKER, BRITTON CHAD SIMPSON, LAUREN SINDLE, LEVI SMART, ASHLYNN STANLEY, CARTER STONE, NICHOLAS STONIS, JERIDAN SWAIN-GOODMAN, KELBY TERRY, MATTIE THOMPSON, LUCY THORNTON, RHETT WAMBLE, JEREMIAH B WELLS, ELIJAH WHITEMAN, ALLISON WILLIAMSON, and KIRA WINTERS.

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RILEY ADAMS, JAXON AKRIDGE, PEYTON BALLANCE, GRACE BARBOUR, GRANT BRINEY, LILLIAN BURNS, MIRACLE CAMPBELL, TOBY CARTER, CARTER CHILDERS, LYDIA CHRISTIAN, AIDEN CHURCH, JACOB CHURCHILL, BRENNER COLLIER, EMMA COLWELL, DANYL CONN, CEYLON CORBIN, LANDON CRADER, DANNA CRUZ, and MICHAEL CURRIE.

ESLI DE LA ROSA, RYDER DOWDY, EVELYN DVORAK, SHELBY FRANCIS, DANIEL GEARY, ALLEIGH GIBSON, SAMUEL GILL, BROOKLYN GOODMAN, BARON GREER, GABRIEL GREER, KIRA GRIMES, LORELEI GUETHLE, WILLIAM GUETHLE, CHASE GUILING, CONNOR HANKINS, DYLAN HARRIS, ALEXIS HENSON, VICTORIA HERNANDEZ, SEAN HONEYCUTT, BARRETT HUDDLESTON, BRADEN HUGGINS, CARSON HURT, DIANE INAFUKU, and TITUS INMAN.

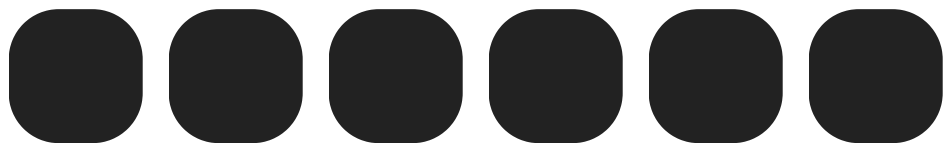
AUBREY JARRELL, WALKER JARRELL, JASMINE JONES, CAEDEN LIVELY, JUSTUS LOVELADY, RYAN LOWMAN, ELIZABETH MANGUM, JERAMIAH MARSHALL, JUAN MARTINEZ, SAMUEL MARTINEZ, SATURNINO MARTINEZ, HUNTER MASSEY, TANNER MASSEY, SAVANAH MAYABB, MALI MCBRIDE, ERIC MCCLARD, DYLAN MCCORD, BAILEY ELIZABETH MCCOY, MOLLI MCFARLEN, REMALEE MCGHEE, LAYLA MCKINNIS, QUINCEY MCLAUGHLIN, SOPHIA MCROY, ALLIE MEDLIN, MAURIONA MENLEY, FAITH MIDKIFF, JAXON MILLER, ELI MOON, HANNAH MOON, HAYDEN MOUTON, and CASH MURPHY.

CHELSEY NATION, GABRIELLA ORELLANA, DAWSON OWENS, HALEIGH PARISH, MADISON PAYNE, DAVID PEDIGO, ELIZABETH PEREZ, TRISTAN PETZOLDT, MELANIE PFEFFER, MICHAEL POLLARD, PAYTON PROCTOR, LOGAN PRUETT, JUDD ROBINSON, RAYCHEL ROBISON, ADALIAH ROTH, HARLOW RUSSELL, BRENDEN RUTLEDGE, MICHAEL RYAN, KASYN STEARNS, ABIGAIL TERRY, KAYLA TOWNSEND, BRAYDEN VAUGHN, ADALYN WALKER, BRODY WALKER, EVAN WARD, CHLOE WARREN, LANGSTON WERNECK, JAYDA WEST, AUBREE WHYDE, TIM WILLIAMS, EVAN WORTHINGTON, and ELIZABETH ZAHNER.

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