A Message from Dean Marvin Lynn

There is a longstanding assumption that a college campus slows down or even shuts down during the summer. Because we at PSU College of Education (COE) are the opposite of that, we just wanted to include another reminder that you can help keep PSU students in school! The College of Education Student Emergency Fund provides extra financial assistance to students who unexpectedly face hardships during the academic year resulting from emergency or crisis situations. We need your help to support students who need a little extra help. Educate yourself on our latest posts. For more of the latest news, visit the COE Blog.

Shelden’s Q&A

In other news, the COE trains teachers to be inclusive. That’s the point of the J. Lloyd Strickler Teaching Scholarship Program (JSTSP), which has operated since 1989 and is supported by a generous gift from William and Mary Strickler. The program is designed to address the critical need for culturally and linguistically diverse educators in Portland area schools. PSU pays all of its PTP students’ tuition and fees, so the mother of two can study full-time to get her master’s and teaching license at the same time. The program is also helping Cora Price push past a hardscrabble life, hailing from a foster family and growing up as a single mom. She recently started her new role as a teacher at Portland's Johnmarshall Elementary School.

Socialization and Support

We celebrated as a Helen Gordon Center employee was honored for her partnership with an organization for people with disabilities, and we rejoiced again as three PSU COE students received three of thirty $10,000 national fellowships to improve behavioral health outcomes for minorities. The PBHCI work is being led by an talented Dr. Pat Burk, who provided professional development and coaching to faculty at Jackson and Rosedale Elementary Schools in Hillsboro through a COE Mutually Beneficial Partnership Grant. View a hard copy for Portland area schools.

"I'm a single mom who is making it because of the program," Price said. "I'm a single foster care mom and I have my two boys and my mother supports me. I'm a single and I'm doing it. I'm doing it because of the program." Price is a mother of two, including Colombia, China, Egypt and the Côte d’Ivoire. Enjoy the sunny season may be a quiet time in other areas, the COE was full of activity and academic achievements as ever. Read on to find out more.