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## **Eastern to Host Future Teachers Conference**

Willimantic – Eastern Connecticut State University’s Department of Education, the Capital Education Council (CREC), and LEARN will host the Ninth Annual Conference for Connecticut’s Future Teachers on May 25 from 8 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. More than 600 students and their teachers from middle and high schools throughout Connecticut are expected to attend.

According to David Stoloff, professor and chair of the education department at Eastern, “The Future Teachers Conference offers middle and high school students who are planning to become teachers a day of professional workshops on teaching and information on college admissions. An important goal is to share learning with their peers from all over the state of Connecticut.”

Throughout the day, students will participate in sessions on reading, banned books, learning activities for the classroom, teambuilding, and mathematics. Eastern faculty; teachers from other universities, high schools and educational agencies; and student groups will serve as presenters at the conference.

Students will be given the opportunity to attend a college fair featuring representatives from Briarwood College, Goodwin College, Mitchell College, Quinebaug Valley Community College, Sacred Heart University, Saint Joseph College, Tunxis Community College, the University of New Haven, Southern Connecticut State University and Eastern Connecticut State University.

At the conference luncheon, Constance Belton Green, director of equity and diversity, Dean Patricia Kleine, school of education and professional studies, and Theresa Lawrence, director of the child and family development resource center, will present the awards for theme and illustration, banner, and display. The conference will conclude with an awards ceremony that will showcase competitions for impromptu speaking.

Previous conferences have played a vital part in preparing future teachers. Students get to network with their peers and experience student life at Eastern. Many chose Eastern as the university where they want to further their education.

The conference is supported by grants provided by the Connecticut State Department of Education.

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