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ADE to Host Educator Career Fair April 5

LITTLE ROCK - Current teachers and career changers interested in obtaining a license will have the opportunity to network and learn more about educational opportunities at an upcoming career fair sponsored by the Arkansas Department of Education.

ADE will host the 2014 Educator Career Fair from 9 a.m. to noon April 5 at the Clear Channel Metroplex, at 10800 Colonel Glenn Road in Little Rock.

The expo targets educators looking for new employment opportunities, teachers who want to return to the classroom, and individuals who are interested in becoming teachers. Those who do not have a teaching degree but have a bachelor's degree will receive information about non-traditional routes to licensure.

"Teaching is one of the most rewarding careers available," Arkansas Department of Education Commissioner Dr. Tom Kimbrell said. "Teachers not only shape the intellect of our next generation, by doing so, they help ensure a better tomorrow for all Arkansans."

The event will give existing teachers the opportunity to learn about National Board Certification, how to add areas of licensure to their current Arkansas license, and steps to renew an expired Arkansas license. Those who do not have a teaching license will be able to learn about available financial assistance programs.

In addition, school district representatives will be on-hand to talk about teacher vacancies, and those who need background checks for licensure renewal can begin the process.

To learn more, go to www.arkansased.org. To register for the free event, go to

www.teacharkansas.eventbrite.com.

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