Wichita Public Schools Dates to Remember
Jan. 3 – District In-Service Day
Jan 4 – Students return
Jan 16 – MLK holiday observance
Feb. 20 – President’s day holiday
Feb. 21 – District In-Service Day

Wichita State University Dates to Remember
Jan. 17 – First day of attendance for interns at assigned school
Feb. 8 & 9 – Orientation for Core 1, 2a. and 2b students at 10:00. After orientation, students in 2a & 2b will stay in their assigned class the remainder of the day.
Feb. 16 – Whole Group Seminar for interns (4:30-6:15 in Hubbard Hall 209). ATTENDANCE REQUIRED.
Feb. 17 – Field Experience Disposition Rubric due (completed by CT).
Feb. 17 – Mid-point of 10-week ECU placement – Mid-Term Evaluation due (CT & ST).

Something to think about as you contemplate having a WSU teacher education candidate.

A teacher affects eternity: he can never tell where his influence stops.
~Henry Adams

Good teaching is more a giving of the right questions than a giving of right answers.
~Josef Albers

I hear and I forget; I see and I remember; I do and I understand.
~Anonymous

Save the Date
On February 13, 2012, we will be hosting a WTQP Cooperating Teacher Academy from 4:30 to 7:30 pm at JFISC. For those who participate, 1 hour graduate credit will be funded by the grant for your staff development and continued work with WSU teacher education candidates. Confirmation will be required so we can arrange for credit for participants with the graduate school at WSU. (Please email your interest to Terry Behrendt at the following address: terry.behrendt@wichita.edu).

Please sign up on MLP. Log on to MLP, then, click on the link below. To receive college credit, you will need to complete the College Credit Request form. 4:30p-7:30p LS- WTQP Cooperating Teacher Academy (2-13-12) (WSU)

Examples of External Data Points
- Observational data
- Lesson Plans
- Students work
- Curriculum Guide
- Standards
- Test results
- Parent communication
- Individualized Education Plans

Meditational Mentoring
Consider using a third data point as a growth agent in your work with interns. According to Lipton and Wellman, “Mentors mediate thinking by asking open-ended questions, providing data, facilitating the acquisition of information, and strengthening cause-effect relationships.” The use of data points, takes away judgment and focuses the conversation on evidence.

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