



THIS WEEK AT THE CENTER FOR ETHICS*

Friday, August 20, 2010

The Center for ETHICS at the University of Idaho offers study, intervention, outreach, consultation, and leadership in developing and advancing the theory, knowledge and understanding of character education including moral and ethical reasoning, moral development, ethical leadership, and ethical application. The Director of the Center is Dr. Sharon Kay Stoll*
http://www.educ.uidaho.edu/center_for_ethics

TeamWorks

- As a part of the continuing contract with WWC (Winningwithcharacter.com), the Center has finished an elementary afterschool curriculum for Teamworks, a Native American education program supported by Mac Strong, formerly of the Seattle Seahawks. The Center has been working with TeamWorks for about 18 months on this project. This specific curriculum is focused on the adventures of Little Eagle as he learns that character is imperative to himself, his family, and his tribe. Doctoral Student Susan Steele was the lead on finishing the last chapter "Overcoming".

Servant Learning and Leadership with University of Idaho Athletics

- Doctoral student Susan Steele is working on a project involving service learning and leadership with the University of Idaho Athletics program specifically the Intro 204; Life Skills for Athletes with Athletic Director Rob Spear. The purpose of the project is to examine the effects of an academic service learning experience on leadership identity and character.

IRB

- As a member of the University of Idaho Institution Review Board, Dr. Stoll reviewed a research project for approval by IRB.

United States Marine Corps Basic School

- Discussion continues IRB has approved this proposed study. We are waiting on IRB from US Marine Corp. The conversation continues between the Center, doctoral student Clinton Culp, MAJ, USMC (Ret), and the Commanding Officer of The Basic School (U.S. Marine Corps, Quantico, Virginia) about the Center's assessment of their current curriculum in ethics education. The Basic School is a six month long course which every Marine officer is required to attend before they are assigned to a follow on military occupational specialty school, after which they will be assigned to individual units in the Operating Forces. About 1800 Second Lieutenants attend The Basic School each year in groups of 300.

Marine Corps Gazette

- Doctoral student Clinton Culp has submitted a paper, "Conflict in Values", to the Marine Corps Gazette. Founded in 1916, the Gazette is to provide a forum for the exchange of ideas that will advance knowledge, interest and esprit in the Marine Corps.

WWC

WWC (Winning With Character (<http://www.winningwithcharacter.org>)) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to character education in competitive populations and athletics from grade school to college to the professional ranks. The Center for ETHICS* has a continued relationship with WWC in helping them with assessment and curriculum development.

- WWC is also in discussion with University of Cincinnati about character education with the football team. A new position is appearing in this DI programs called Player Development Coach and character education appears to now be an important item for these coaches to work with athletes. Hopefully the discussion becomes reality.
- A preliminary discussion is developing between WWC and the University of Tennessee football.