

# OFFICE OF TEACHER EDUCATION NEWSLETTER



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Enter the new year with a grateful heart, and be gentle with yourself and others.

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## Retired Cookeville High teacher, assistant principal establishes scholarship for education majors

Tennessee Tech was always an important part of Katherine Ligon’s life. She grew up in Cookeville and when it came time to choose a college, there was never any doubt that she would choose Tech.



Ligon would eventually earn her bachelor’s, master’s and educational specialist degrees from Tech as well as a doctorate in education from Tennessee State University. Ligon credits many Tech faculty who helped her along the way. She retired from teaching full-time in June of 2020.

Today, she serves as an adjunct professor for Tech’s College of Interdisciplinary Studies and supervises student teachers for Tech’s College of Education. Ligon said she was shocked and honored when her husband said he wanted to establish a scholarship in her name, allowing her to choose the area that it would benefit. Of course, Ligon chose the College of Education. The Katherine C. Ligon Scholarship will be awarded to secondary education majors with a 3.0 or higher GPA.

Ligon says she hopes Tech’s education majors find the same satisfaction that she found in teaching.

Office of Teacher Education

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# ADMISSION TO THE TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM

## CONTINUOUS THROUGHOUT THE MONTHS OF FEBRUARY AND MARCH

**INTERVIEWS** for Admission to the Teacher Education Program (Check [Interview Request form](#) for specific dates and times)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Spring 2022 Residency Candidates and Student Teachers

- ◇ FEBRUARY 2—edTPA Task 1 Seminar— Agriculture, Art, ESL, FCS, Music, Spanish Candidates
- ◇ FEBRUARY 3—edTPA Task 1 Seminar— Middle School, Secondary, Physical Ed Candidates
- ◇ FEBRUARY 4—edTPA Task 1 Seminar— Early Childhood, Elementary, Special Ed Candidates
  
- ◇ FEBRUARY 23—edTPA Task 2 Seminar— Agriculture, Art, ESL, FCS, Music, Spanish Candidates
- ◇ FEBRUARY 24—edTPA Task 2 Seminar— Middle School, Secondary, Physical Ed Candidates
- ◇ FEBRUARY 25—edTPA Task 2 Seminar— Early Childhood, Elementary, Special Ed Candidates

## SENIOR ORIENTATION

If you plan to begin Residency or Student Teaching Fall 2022, please be watching for an email regarding registration for an upcoming mandatory senior orientation session. Residency and Student Teaching benchmark requirements, schedules, school placement process, coursework, and edTPA (capstone project) are some of the topics that will be discussed. Please contact Susan Collins ([sncollins@tntech.edu](mailto:sncollins@tntech.edu)) with questions.



# Praxis

The Praxis<sup>®</sup> Interactive Practice Tests (IPTs) are full-length practice tests that allow you to answer one set of test questions to simulate what you will experience on the actual day of the test. You can practice using authentic test questions and, after completing the practice test, view your results by content category along with the correct answers and explanations for each correct answer.

Interactive practice tests are **free!** We can accommodate individuals and groups! Interactive practice tests are completed virtually and take anywhere from 2 hours to 3.5 hours. Please email Elora Davis at [eldavis@tntech.edu](mailto:eldavis@tntech.edu) to schedule a practice test or with any questions!

**\*DO NOT FORGET** to utilize the “OTE Test Prep” course within your iLearn! Candidates can find several free resources to help prepare for their ACT, NES, Praxis (and more) exams!

## College of Education Job Opportunities Page

Students can view summer, part-time, as well as full-time teaching opportunities by visiting the CoED Job Opportunities page.

<https://www.tntech.edu/education/careers.php>



# FIRST AID/CPR/AED REQUIREMENTS

Submitted By: Office of Teacher Education

Candidates entering Residency and Student Teaching are required to show proof of valid First Aid/CPR/AED certification before entering their clinical placement. Candidates should email, fax, or hand deliver proof of all three certifications to Connie DeRossette at [cderossette@tntech.edu](mailto:cderossette@tntech.edu). For a complete list of benchmarks, please visit: <https://www.tntech.edu/education/teachered/field-and-clinical-practice/>

EMAIL: [cderossette@tntech.edu](mailto:cderossette@tntech.edu)

FAX: 931-372-6286

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The training and certification through the American Heart Association includes:

- ⇒ AED- Automatic External Defibrillator
- ⇒ BLS- Basic Life Support (CPR) for the Healthcare Provider
- ⇒ Heart Saver- CPR for the Non-Healthcare Professional
- ⇒ First Aid



**Cookeville Regional Medical Center**

**CPR, AED & First Aid Training**

Check on line for specific dates.

Register online at

<https://www.crmchealth.org/cpr-aed-first-aid-training>

**Putnam Co. YMCA**

**235 Raider Dr.**

**Cookeville, TN 38501**

**931-528-1133**

**AED/CPR/First Aid training with Ms. Mahan**

For training information and scheduling, please contact Amy Mahan at 931-261-5092;

[ANMahan16@gmail.com](mailto:ANMahan16@gmail.com); or on FaceBook "Training with Amy Mahan".

All classes are scheduled from 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM. The doors open at 8:30 AM.

## HEARTSAVER

Heartsaver®  
First Aid CPR AED



**Your certificate must have all three classes listed.**

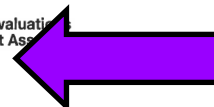
has successfully completed the cognitive and skills evaluation in accordance with the curriculum of the American Heart Association's Heartsaver **First Aid CPR AED Program**.

Optional modules completed:

Child CPR AED, Infant CPR

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**\*\*\*CERTIFICATION VALID FOR TWO YEARS AND MUST NOT EXPIRE WHILE COMPLETING RESIDENCY OR STUDENT TEACHING\*\*\***