

SWOSU Student Teachers Complete Training and Present Gifts to OKC Schools

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Southwestern Oklahoma State University's 49 fall semester student teachers in Weatherford recently completed their National Council of Accreditation for Teacher Education (NCATE) requirement for "field experience in a diverse school setting" during a two-day training session.

Starting the training was Shannon Freeman, director of recruitment, deployment and retention at Oklahoma City Public Schools (OKCPS). She, along with a team of OKCPS human capital professionals, spoke to the student teachers in preparation for their field trip.

The student teachers then travelled to Oklahoma City to spend a day in one of 17 schools in the district. The students were accompanied by Bruce Belanger, coordinator of student teaching and field experiences at SWOSU, and Debbie Case, instructor in the Department of Education (DOE).

As a thank you to the schools, the DOE presented two participating secondary schools with \$200 vouchers for scholastic books and materials.