

Education Roundup

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Ohio Northern University | Submitted photo Ohio Northern University will host the 10th annual Polar Bear Invitational Mock Trial Tournament on Saturday and Sunday. More than 150 students from 12 colleges and universities representing six states will participate in the tournament.

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OSU Lima to hold open house

LIMA — Future students can find out what it's like to be a Buckeye at the beach-themed "Buckeyes at the Beach" Open House on Friday at the Student Service Center at Ohio State Lima.

Representatives from admissions, financial aid and other student services offices will be on hand to answer questions. The event will also feature a campus tour and a student panel. Check-in begins at 8:30 a.m. and the event begins at 9 a.m.

Bluffton native attains degree

WILLIAMSBURG, Ky. — Jeffrey Richards, of Bluffton, has earned a master of arts in education degree from the University of the Cumberlands.

Richards joined 569 undergraduate, graduate and doctoral students who completed their studies in December.

ONU to host mock trial

ADA — Ohio Northern University's mock trial program will host the 10th annual Polar Bear Invitational Mock Trial Tournament on Saturday and Sunday. The competition will take place in ONU's Pettit College of Law, Hill Building and Dukes Memorial. More than 150 students from 12 colleges and universities representing six states will participate in the tournament.

The tournament consists of four rounds, with trials taking place simultaneously in each round. Each mock trial has a panel of two judges who evaluate students on their knowledge of the case material and their presentation and litigation techniques. On Saturday, the first round of the competition begins at 9 a.m., and the second round begins at 2 p.m. On Sunday, the first round begins at 8 a.m., and the second begins at 1 p.m.

The tournament gives honors to the top teams as well as outstanding attorneys and witnesses.

Wapak resident earns master's degree

OXFORD — Wapakoneta resident Craig Sammetinger has earned a master of arts in teaching degree in biological sciences from Miami University.

Since being accepted to the Advanced Inquiry Program master's degree in 2012, Sammetinger has explored conservation and education at Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden, while also conducting projects that have made a difference in the Wapakoneta area. Sammetinger is a teacher at Riverside High School.