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ANNUAL EDUCATORS' CAREER FAIR PLANNED FOR MAY 4-5

MISSOULA--

Job-seekers in the education field are invited to meet with recruiters from school districts in at least 14 states and the Mariana Islands at The University of Montana-Missoula's 13th annual multi-state Educators' Career Fair, May 4-5.

The event is the largest of its kind west of the Mississippi and one of the most extensive in the nation. Last year's fair was attended by more than 1,200 job candidates from 35 states; they met with representatives of 120 school districts.

This year, the Educators' Career Fair is expected to exceed those numbers, with representatives from more than 120 school districts interviewing for classroom, special education, counseling and administrative positions. Representatives are expected from school districts in Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, Nevada, South Dakota, Oregon, Texas, Utah, Washington and Wyoming, as well as the Mariana Islands.

“(The Career Fair) has developed a reputation nationally as an excellent opportunity for both candidates and school districts,” said Jeanne Sinz, director of UM's Office of Career Services, which is presenting the Career Fair.

The fair takes place in the Harry Adams Field House from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, May 4, and from 8 a.m. to noon Tuesday, May 5. Pre-fair events on Sunday, May 3, will

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include group presentations by school districts from 3 to 5 p.m. and 8 to 10 p.m. in the Gallagher Building. Each presentation is 30 minutes long and will repeat four times in two hours.

“We really encourage candidates to get here and make use of Sunday,” Sinz said. “They can spend Sunday going to informational sessions and mapping out their strategy.”

For more information, call Career Services at (406) 243-2022. Or visit Career Services’

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