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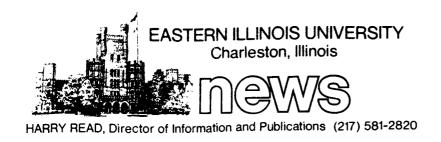
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CHARLESTON, IL--Bennett Tarleton, Director of the Alliance for Arts Education, Washington, D.C., will be the keynote speaker at a Leadership Conference on Arts Education at Eastern Illinois University on Friday, March 5 in the University Union from 8:45 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.

Other speakers include Dr. Donald Gill, State Superintendent of Education, and Illinois State Senator Richard Newhouse. Gill will address the luncheon session.

Dr. Vaughn Jaenike, Dean of the School of Fine Arts, said purpose of the conference is "to explore current trends in arts education, its future in the school and community, and the roles that leaders must play in its growth and development."

Registration is being conducted by the School of Fine Arts, telephone 581-2917. Luncheon cost is \$6.40 and reservations must be made by noon on Tuesday, March 2. All other sessions are free. Luncheon entertainment will be provided by Karen and George Sanders, duo pianists.

The conference is co-sponsored by the School of Fine Arts, the Alliance for Arts Education, and the Illinois State Board of Education.