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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

SUMMER OF EXCELLENCE IN PARIS

CHARLESTON -- Eastern Illinois University's School of Adult and Continuing Education will offer seven classes at Memorial School in Paris as part of its Summer of Excellence/College for Kids program.

Beginning June 19 through July 28 in Paris, students, ages 6 to 13, will be able to take a variety of classes ranging from exploring the environment through literature to learning the techniques of playing volleyball. Forty-three other classes for ages two through adults will be offered on the EIU campus June 19 through July 27.

A number of partial scholarships are being provided through the Office of the Regional Superintendent of Schools for students attending school in Coles, Cumberland, Clark, Edgar, Moultrie and Shelby counties. These are \$15 scholarships that may be applied to any of the courses offered. All scholarship requests are subject to approval and the availability of funds. General scholarships will be limited to one per family.

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SUMMER OF EXCELLENCE

The Summer of Excellence program is intended to provide children with an entertaining yet educational alternative during the summer months. Classes are small, allowing students to learn and explore a particular subject in a friendly, non-competitive atmosphere. Instructors are chosen for their interest and knowledge of subject matter and their ability to develop courses that stimulate and challenge participants.

Registration must be completed one week before the class starts. Registration forms must include the signature of a parent or guardian. Class fees range from \$35 to \$53.

For more information or to request a registration form, contact EIU's School of Adult and Continuing Education at (217) 581-5116.

The following classes will be offered in Paris:

- 1) **Experimenting with Science**--(ages 8-10) 9 to 10 a.m., June 19-29; fee \$48. Instructor Lee Barrett will teach students to explore the world of science through various experiments. Participants also will learn about amazing secrets of common items found in most homes.
- 2) **Explore the Environment with Literature!**--(ages 8-10) 9 to 10 a.m., July 17-28; fee \$48. Instructor Denise Zahrn will help students explore the environment through literature. Students will study rain forests, deserts, polar regions and the ocean to learn about native plants and animals.
- 3) **Celebrate Diversity!**--(ages 8-10) 9 to 10 a.m., June 19-29; fee \$48.

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Instructor Denise Zahrn will teach students to appreciate customs and contributions of people around the world. Participants will utilize children's literature and various activities to develop knowledge and appreciation of multi-cultural neighbors.

- 4) **Celebrate Diversity through Art!**--(ages 8-10) 10 to 11:30 a.m., June 19-29; fee \$53. Instructor Cheryl Redman will teach students the diversity of art forms from the Amish, Native American, Asian, Hispanic and African cultures.
- 5) **Exploring Art**--(ages 8-12) 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., June 19-29; fee \$53. Instructor Cheryl Redman will show students how to design their own T-shirt, using a variety of art forms such as paper mache, drawing with squiggles and dots and lines.
- 6) **Summer Volleyball Clinic**--(ages 9-13) 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., July 17-20; fee \$35. Instructor Erika Kohlmeyer will teach students the proper techniques of volleyball as well as some new ones to improve their game.
- 7) **Linking Math and Literature**--(ages 7-9) 9 to 10 a.m., July 5-13; fee \$48. Instructor Denise Zahrn will help students brush up on their math skills and reinforce concepts through children's books based on math themes. Learning will become easier for the students through the use of activities, games, sequencing and computational skills.