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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EASTERN REPRESENTED AT CONFERENCE

CHARLESTON, IL.--Three Charleston residents, who are members of Eastern Illinois University's College of Education, will give presentations at the conference "Technology - Expanding the Horizons for Small and Rural Schools" Jan. 31 in Springfield.

Representing Eastern's Department of Educational Administration are Department Chair Raymond Calabrese and Professor Dave Bartz, who will discuss "Strengths Management for Rural Administrators: A Data Based Approach."

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They will show rural school administrators how to use computer technology to foster the potential of the faculty and staff to expand offerings and broaden commitment to students and communities.

Patricia Fewell, director of the College of Education's Instructional Materials Center, will give a presentation focusing on the potentials for utilization of computers within the classroom. She will provide participants with ideas for activities for their classes with one computer or a lab.

The conference at the Holiday Inn East is designed to increase the awareness of teachers, administrators, and school board members about trends in technology appropriate for rural and small schools.

Technology in the areas of student instruction, administration, staff development and adult learning will be addressed.

The Board of Governors Universities, Eastern's governing board, is a sponsor of the conference, which is being coordinated by the Illinois State Board of Education and Educational Service Center #14 in Springfield.

On Wednesday (Jan. 30), registrants are invited to attend pre-conference workshops and participate in a videoconferencing of the 1990 school progress report.

Board of Governors Chancellor Thomas Layzell has been invited to make brief comments during the luncheon on Thursday.

For more information, call Elsie Stoeckel, Educational Service Center #14, at (217) 525-2061.

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