



IELI WEEKLY MEMO



University of North Texas

Intensive English Language Institute

Fall 1, 2009

Week 2: Aug. 31—Sept. 4

A. IELI Activities

IELI Welcome to Texas Party — Friday, Sept. 4, from 11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. in the Silver Eagle Suite of the Student Union building. Come and celebrate the new term with pizza, games, and prizes! Wear your western gear if you have it!



B. Orientations

Lab orientation—Friday, Sept. 4 in ISB 242. New students in levels 4, 5, and 6 need to sign up for a Lab orientation time on Monday, Aug. 31 in ISB 224.



Pronunciation Power—Thursday, Sept. 10, from 12:20–1 p.m. in ISB 242. For new students in levels 4, 5, and 6.

Level 6 Orientation—Wednesday, Sept. 2, from 12:15 -1 p.m. in ISB 203.

Level 6/One class only students—Supplemental class, 12:20–1 p.m. in ISB 203.

C. Going to UNT

If you are planning to attend UNT beginning Spring 2010, you should go to one of these meetings:



Week 4: Monday, Sept. 14
12:15 – 1 p.m. in ISB 203. For level 5 and 6 students who plan to begin a **Bachelor's or 2nd Bachelor's** degree at UNT in Spring 2010.

Week 4: Tuesday, Sept. 15
12:15 – 1 p.m. in ISB 203. For level 5 and 6 students who plan to begin a **Master's or Doctoral** degree at UNT in Spring 2010.

D. Student Activities Council

The Student Activities Council (SAC) is made up of students in levels 3, 4, and 5 who would like to become more involved in IELI. The SAC talks about activity ideas and helps the Student Counselor plan parties and trips throughout the semester. This term, student in the SAC will help put together a float for the UNT Homecoming Parade. They also provide input on ways to improve student experience at IELI.

Communication teachers for levels 3, 4, and 5 will select students to represent their class on the SAC. If you would like to be a part of the council, please tell your communication teacher this week. If you have any questions about what the SAC is or what it does, please talk to Meghan in ISB 214.



E. No Class on Monday, Sept. 7

UNT will close for Labor Day, a national holiday.



F. Conversation Partners

Are you looking for a way to meet an American and practice your English outside of class? If so, you should sign up for a conversation partner.

Conversation partner sign-ups: Monday, Aug. 31 to Friday, Sept. 4 in ISB 214.

Who are conversation partners?

- Conversation partners are native English speakers.
- They want to help you improve your speaking skills.
- They want to make a new friend.
- A conversation partner is not a tutor.



If you sign up for a conversation partner, you must:

- Attend your group meetings every week
- Return your group leader's phone calls and e-mails
- Participate in your meetings and contribute to conversation
- Speak English
- Have fun!

The last day to sign up for a conversation partner is Friday, Sept. 4. You cannot sign up after this date. Students who sign up for a conversation partner will be put in a group with 2 other IELI students and an American volunteer. Together you will choose the day and time you want to meet each week.

***If you sign up for a conversation partner, you must attend the **Conversation Partner Launch Party on Thursday, Sept. 10 in the IELI Student Lounge.** You will meet your conversation group leader there for the first time and decide when you will have your weekly meetings. Pizza and drinks will be provided. If you cannot make it to the party on Sept. 10, you must tell Meghan in ISB 214.

G. Non-IELI Activities



Rec Extravaganza—Wednesday, Sept. 2, from 6:30—9 p.m. at the Pohl Recreation Center. Enjoy free pizza, T-shirts, and giveaways. Listen to live music, tour the rec center, participate in free group exercise classes and rock climbing, or enter the Texas Hold Em poker tournament from 7—9 p.m.

Thursday Night Watch Party at Clark Park—Watch the first UNT football game of the season on a jumbo screen in Clark Park. Bring a blanket and picnic supplies if you want. Free hot dogs will be provided.

WorldLife Welcome Party—Friday, Sept. 4, at 6:30 p.m. at the Baptist Student Center. Meet Americans and international students and have some fun at the WorldLife beach-themed Welcome Party. There will be food, games, and prizes. The Baptist Student Center is located next to the bus stop across from the Student Union.



Taiwanese Student Association Member Meeting and Welcome Party—Friday, Sept. 4, at 7 p.m. at the Grand Buffet restaurant. Cost is \$13 per person, which includes drinks. If you would like to join the TWSA, you can pay \$5 membership fee at the meeting. Please sign up outside ISB 214 by Sept. 2 or e-mail Stephen Huang at wakin_n@yahoo.com.tw if you would like to attend. Transportation to the restaurant is available.

