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MID-TERM PROGRESS REPORTS

Mid-term progress reports have come out for first-year students. If you're not doing as well as you'd like in any of your classes and want some suggestions, do get in touch with one of the DASS Team. It's always best to get help early.

E-MAIL REMINDER: If you and your instructors have agreed that you'll take their tests at the LEC, be sure to send an e-mail reminder to them a week prior to the actual test date. That way, your instructors will have enough advanced notice to arrange to get their tests to the LEC in time for you to take them.

DASS SURVEY: HEADS UP! - Around April 13th, you will receive a survey from DASS. It should take only 2-3 minutes to respond, and we do hope you'll participate.

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

April 6, Wednesday

Last day to drop a course

April 4--22, Monday-Friday

Enrollment for

Summer 2011 & Fall 2011

for continuing Students for all
undergraduates and graduate

Dedman and Meadows

SELF-AWARENESS: Individuals who understand their disability are better equipped to deal with or seek help in dealing with the difficulties they will surely encounter. The fact is that the greatest protective factor individuals with disabilities can have is NOT the law or their educational rights. It is to be self-aware of their strengths and weaknesses, to be self-directed and to have an ability to advocate for their needs and rights in both discrete and formal ways. -Eric Tivers, LCSW, MSSW

AMAZING RACE includes contestants with disabilities: This season, past contestants return to race again on CBS's hit, Amazing Race. Two contestants have conditions that could be considered a disability. Luke, racing along with his mother, is deaf and wanted to be on the show since he was 16 years old. Luke was one year old when his parents found out that he was deaf. Right away his mother took classes and learned how to sign. He believes that if it were not for his mother, he would not be who he is today. Zev has Asperger's and races with his good friend, Justin. When interviewed, Zev comments on his Asperger's.



Interviewer: "For a lot of people with Asperger's, the social aspects of being on a show like The Amazing Race would be difficult. Was that ever a concern for you?" **Zev:** "It was a little overwhelming because I knew I'd be going to different places and traveling the world, but I knew I'd have my friend there with me."

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