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RECEPTION TO HONOR REGIONAL NURSING DEAN

WHAT: Myrna Armstrong, Ed.D., R.N., FAAN, regional dean of the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (TTUHSC) School of Nursing at Highland Lakes, is retiring after 16 years with the school.

WHEN: 3:30 to 5 p.m. Thursday (May 20)

WHERE: TTUHSC Academic Classroom Building First Floor foyer, 3601 4th St.

EVENT: Administrators, faculty, staff and students will thank Armstrong for her service to the institution and the community, and celebrate her career accomplishments as she begins a new chapter in her life.

Pat Allen, Ed.D., R.N., CNE, ANEF, will serve as interim dean for the Marble Falls/Highland Lakes educational site through Aug. 31. This position will be part-time until an internal search for a full-time regional dean is completed. The search will be initiated June 15 and conclude near the end of July.

Armstrong is a veteran of the U.S. Army Reserves and is an internationally recognized researcher on body art. She began conducting and publishing research articles on tattooing and health issues in 1990, body piercing in 1994, and branding in 1999. In 2000, Armstrong formed a Body Art Research team of sociology and nursing researchers, bringing more diversity to her program of study.

She has authored and coauthored almost 100 articles published in national and international nursing, sociology/psychology, and medical journals. Her research also has been featured in numerous mainstream publications including Reader’s Digest, U.S. News and World Report, the Chicago Tribune, Glamour and Teen Vogue.