# MS CRITICAL TEACHER SHORTAGE ACT Incentive Options for Educators

# #1 CRITICAL NEEDS TEACHER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

# <u>Benefits</u>

- Tuition, fees, books, and average cost of room/meals

# <u>Requirements</u>

- Juniors Seniors 2.5 college GPA (Maintain 2.5 for renewal)
- Passage of Praxis Core

# **Obligation**

- 2 years' award = 2 years' teaching in CSA
- Other awards = Year for year
- Default = Immediate repayment plus interest
- Contact State Student Financial Aid at 1-800-327-2980 or (601) 432-6997

# #2 WILLIAM F. WINTER SCHOLAR LOAN PROGRAM

#### <u>Benefits</u>

Up to \$4,000 – Junior and Senior year

# **Requirements**

- Juniors Seniors 2.5 college GPA (Maintain 2.5 for renewal)
- Passage of Praxis Core

# **Obligation**

- 1 year loan forgiveness = 1 year teaching in MS
- Default = Immediate repayment plus interest
- Contact State Student Financial Aid at 1-800-327-2980 or (601) 432-6997

# #3 MS TEACHER FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

## <u>Benefits</u>

- Tuition, books, materials, and fees for three year maximum
- Access to Mentoring Network

# <u>Requirements</u>

- CSA teacher with Class A license
- Acceptance in approved Master of Ed/Ed Specialist program
- Comply with eligibility requirements for MTFP

# **Obligation**

- 3 years' teaching obligation in a CSA
- Default = Immediate repayment plus interest



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• Contact MTFP Manager at 1-888-611-5160 or (662) 915-3991 & the Mississippi Teacher Center at (601) 359-3631 or www.mtfp.net

# #4 MS SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR SABBATICAL PROGRAM

## <u>Benefits</u>

- Teacher salary paid with fringe benefits during program
  - Program for all school districts

# <u>Requirements</u>

- Three years' teaching experience
- District recommendation

# **Obligation**

- Five years' administration in sponsoring district
- Default = Immediate repayment plus interest
- Contact the Mississippi Teacher Center at (601) 359-3631

# **#5 MOVING INCENTIVES**

#### <u>Benefits</u>

Reimbursement maximum - \$1,000

# <u>Requirements</u>

- CSA district approval
- One time award only
- Contact local school districts

# #6 HOUSING ASSISTANCE FOR TEACHERS (H.A.T.)

# <u>Benefits</u>

- Maximum grant of \$6,000 pays closing costs for CSA teacher

# <u>Requirements</u>

- House must be in same county as school district

# **Obligation**

- Each year of service forgives 1/3 of grant
- MS Home Corporation at 1-800-544-6960 or (601) 718-4642 (Shelly Pollock) or www.mshomecorp.com



