Mississippi Teacher Residency 2020 Program Commitments

Mississippi Department of Education (MDE) Commitment:

- Manage grant operations including grant funds, program support and recruitment and selection.
- Provide Residents with professional development through residency.
- Provide costs for professional development, tuition, books and codes for licensure testing, to include PRAXIS and Foundations of Reading.
- Support Residents in the teacher credentialing process.

Partnering Colleges and Universities: (Delta State University; Mississippi State University; William Carey University) Commitment:

- Serve as credit bearing institution.
- Provide Residents with an individualized residency experience to include coursework and classroom experience.
- Provide on-going support and development for Resident Teachers.
- Provide guidance for clinical experience for the Mentor Teacher and Resident Teacher.

Partnering District: (Biloxi School District; Gulfport School District; Jackson Public Schools; Sunflower Co. Consolidates Dist.; Ocean Springs School District) Commitment:

- Recruit candidates to apply for Residency Program.
- Determine host sites for Resident Teachers.
- Select Mentor Teachers for Resident Teachers.
- Provide leadership and support for Mentor Teachers and Resident Teachers.
- Employ Resident Teachers at the end of Residency for up to (3) three years, to complete the MTR program.

Mentor Teacher Commitment:

- Serve as the supervising teacher for the Resident.
- Participate in MDE sponsored Mentor training program.
- Provide Resident Teacher with small-group instructional teaching in Year 1 and Lead Teaching in Year 2.

Resident Teacher Commitment:

- Enroll in partnering College and/or University, as determined by the MTR program.
- Maintain a 2.75 GPA, while enrolled at the partnering College and/or University.
- Maintain (15) fifteen hours at the partnering District each week.
- Complete coursework and graduate from the partnering College and/or University.
- Commit to teaching in partnering District at the end of Residency for (3) three years.
- Obtain passage of all PRAXIS Core exams (as needed) and Foundations of Reading assessments, along with specific endorsement exams for Mississippi Licensure requirement.
- Become a certified Mississippi Teacher.
- Serve as a lifelong advocate for the teaching profession.

Kellogg Foundation Commitment:

- Provide financial support for tuition and programming for the MTR program.
- Support the MDE in evaluating the MTR program’s effectiveness in the Mississippi Teacher Pipeline.