

Teacher Apprenticeship Cohort 2: Duties and Expectations

Apprentice Duties and Expectations		
Financial Obligation	 Tuition at \$1,000/year: Direct billed to the student on a billing statement from the Board of Regents/University. Books/Course content at approximately \$1,500/year. Costs associated with the state-approved tests (Praxis tests). Costs vary depending on the type and number of tests. Certification fees: Student Teacher permit \$25; Initial Educator application \$60 (based on current 2024 certification fees) 	
Continue employment as a para-professional	Maintain employment as a para-professional in a SD accredited school district during the apprenticeship except during the period of time completing student teaching.	
Student Teaching in your local district	 At the point immediately prior to student teaching, the apprentice will apply for a student teaching permit. During the student teaching period, the apprentice will be unable to complete duties as a para-professional. 	
Education	Attend classes, complete assignments associated with the selected program.	
Participate in Mentoring	 Local/Primary Mentor: Meet regularly face-to-face with the local mentor (15 hours/semester). Secondary Mentor: Meet regularly with the university-assigned secondary mentor as directed. 	
Certification	 Student Teacher Permit: At point of student teaching, complete an application for a student teacher permit. Initial Educator application: Towards completion of your program, complete the initial educator application. Follow university guidance. Approved Suicide Awareness and Prevention training: Both identified applications will require the completion of an approved suicide awareness 	



	 and prevention training. (Online, free approved options are available). Praxis tests: Successfully completed Praxis tests are necessary for the Initial Educator application. See options for the Student Teacher permit to determine necessary Praxis tests for this permit. 	
Local/Primary Mentor Duties and Expectations		
Complete Readiness Checklist with apprentice	 Review and sign off on the elements found within the SD Readiness Checklist as the apprentice meets them. 	
Meet regularly with the apprentice	 Document 15 hours on the provided time log/semester. Submit log by specified deadlines. Submit your mentoring log to the district contact by the specified deadline. 	
District Duties and Expectations		
Provide Recommendation for Applicant	 Complete the recommendation form and submit to DOE. This is used to assist with selection. 	
Financial Obligation	 \$1,000/year/participant to be paid directly to the identified primary mentor at a rate of \$500/semester (fall and spring) as directed. 	
Mentor Obligation	 Identify and provide a local primary mentor. 	

Partners that Made the 2nd Cohort Possible

South Dakota Legislature and Governor	•	Supported passage of HB 1201 securing funding for this cohort.
Department of Labor and Regulation	•	Assist with tuition and associated expenses.
	•	Assisted universities with the registered apprenticeship
		application.
	•	Assisted with the development of the SD Apprenticeship model.
Department of Education	•	Oversee the operations of the 2 nd cohort
	•	Assisted with the development of the SD Teacher
		Apprenticeship Pathway model.
Dakota State University &	•	Assisted with the development of the SD Teacher
Northern State University		Apprenticeship Pathway model.
	•	Developed educational programs to fit the apprenticeship
		model.
SD Board of Regents	•	Approved programming and associated educational costs.
Local Districts	•	Provide financial support for the selected para(s) by funding a
		portion of the local primary mentor's stipend.
	•	Select the local primary mentor.
Regional Education Lab – Central	•	Assisted with research and development of the program as a
(Mathematica)		thought-partner.