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To: Administrators

From: Laurie Matzke, Assistant Superintendent

Re: Registered Apprenticeship Program for Teachers (RAP-T) Training

Date: October 9, 2023

The North Dakota Department of Public Instruction (NDDPI) sent correspondence to all administrators on September 8, 2023, regarding the SB 2032 Para-to-Teacher program. Thank you for sharing that information with paraprofessionals. We have had an amazing response and have received over 80 applications to date.

The purpose of this correspondence is to share information on a second para-to-teacher program. The NDDPI secured \$4.1 million in federal SAEF grant funds for a Registered Apprenticeship Program for Teachers (RAP-T) and held a request for proposal (RFP) workshop on September 11, 2023, to highlight the competitive RFP for interested universities. The RFP deadline is November 20, 2023.

The universities have requested that we sponsor a training session for school districts outlining the program and highlighting the differences between this initiative and the SB 2032 program. Therefore, the NDDPI has set up a Teams training for October 23, 2023, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. CDT.

If you have Teams, click here to join the meeting.

If you don't have Teams, download <u>Teams</u> or <u>join on the web</u> and enter the information below:

Meeting ID: 268 986 298 341

Passcode: Yh8S9V

You may also call (701) 328-0950; Conference ID: 505 439 93#.

If you have any questions, please contact me at lmatzke@nd.gov or (701) 328-2284.