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To: North Dakota Teacher Preparation Programs for RAP-T

From: Laurie Matzke, Assistant Superintendent

Re: Registered Teacher Apprenticeship RFP

Date: October 3, 2023

The purpose of this correspondence is to share critical updates on the rollout of the Registered Teacher Apprenticeship program. Please review the information within this memo carefully.

Several recent events will require the North Dakota Department of Public Instruction (NDDPI) to adjust the Registered Teacher Apprenticeship program timeline. We had our first data/reporting call with the United States Department of Labor (USDOL) and learned there are numerous reports for SAEF grant recipients. We may need to go through procurement to solicit a data reporting system, which will take time. In addition, Lisa Johnson, who assists with the apprenticeship work, has resigned from her position. We will immediately begin advertising to fill this position.

Several EPPs have requested that the NDDPI hold an informational webinar for school districts to share information on the Registered Teacher Apprenticeship program to help clarify the program so that when EPPs reach out, they are familiar with the program. This webinar won't occur until mid to late October.

For these reasons, we are adjusting the schedule to allow more time to address these issues. This will also give EPPs more time to complete the RFP and secure partnerships with LEAs. Please review the revised timeline below.

Event	Time	Date
Application Deadline	11:59 p.m.	November 20, 2023
Reviewed and Scores Returned to DPI		December 19, 2023
Notice of Award		January 4, 2024
Confirm LEAs/MOUs Signed		January/February 2024

If you have any questions, please contact me at <u>Imatzke@nd.gov</u> or (701) 328-2284.

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