



North Dakota
Teacher
Support
System

Application for

ND Teacher Support System

2017-18

Instructional Coaches Academy

Cohort IX

Applicant name: _____

School and City: _____

Your completed application (first and last page) must be received at the address below by

5:00 PM CDT on Monday, August 28, 2017:

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ND Teacher Support System
Education Standards and Practices Board
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Application process:

1. Read through Information section below.
2. Complete and sign the application form.
3. Obtain signature of building administrator agreeing to provide substitute coverage if needed.
4. Completed forms can be mailed, faxed or scanned with signatures and emailed to address on front of application. Applications must be received by 5:00 PM CDT on Monday, August 28, 2017.

Information:

- The 2017-18 Teacher Support System Coaches Academy IX will accept up to 40 participants for the cohort which will meet in Bismarck. **Participants who are presently serving as instructional coaches (working with multiple teachers to improve instructional skills) will have preference over others. The date we receive the completed application will also be considered if more than 40 applications are received. Please submit applications as early as possible so we can attempt to include all who qualify.**
- Training will be provided by Heather Clifton from Learning Forward. A certificate of completion will be provided for Academy members who complete the entire Academy.
- Training consists of six days. Dates are as follows:
 - **September 28 & 29, 2017, November 6 & 7, 2017 and January 18 & 19, 2018.**
 - All sessions will be held in Bismarck at the Courtyard by Marriott.
 - Training begins promptly at 8 am and ends by 4 pm each day
- Training costs, materials, travel, hotel, and meals will be paid by the Teacher Support System. Any costs for substitute teachers are the responsibility of the school district.
- Attendance at all sessions is important. Please let us know if you need to miss a session.
- Successful applicants will be notified of acceptance by September 5. Upon acceptance, detailed information about booking hotel rooms, etc. will be sent.
- Credit for completion of training will be available through UND. Information will be sent to successful applicants.



About the Learning Forward Coaches Academy

Overview:

Learning Forward is a leader in developing the coaching skills necessary for improved student learning. Through Learning Forward's Coaches Academy, school-based coaches develop essential knowledge and skills related to building relationships, leading professional learning, and individual and team coaching.

Learning Forward works with your organization's representatives to tailor the outcomes for the Coaches Academy training to meet any specific needs.

Outcomes:

Participants in Learning Forward Coaches Academy:

- Understand how change impacts adult learners.
- Develop a deep understanding of the multiple roles of coaches.
- Understand how to contract with their principals and teachers regarding services to improve teaching and learning
- Acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to support teachers in the role of classroom supporter including how to maximize demonstration lessons, co-teaching, and observing and giving feedback.
- Use data to facilitate decisions related to identifying, working on, and monitoring team and individual professional learning goals for student learning.
- Build relationship skills to develop trusting relationships.
- Acquire coaching behaviors to support their work with individual and teams of teachers.
- Select from among multiple professional learning designs to facilitate learning for teachers.
- Facilitate teacher-learning teams to promote authentic collaboration about improving teaching and learning.

For more information on Learning Forward Coaches Academy, contact Tom Manning at tom.manning@learningforward.org.

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Name:
School and City:
Email address:
School phone number:
Home or cell phone number:
Position title:

Your answers to the following two questions will be used to determine preference for the Academy so be sure to provide a thorough answer to each.

Define your position. (Include a description of how your position requires you to support other teachers in developing their instructional skills. Your application can extend to as many pages as necessary.)

Tell why accomplishing the outcomes listed on the preceding pages for this training will be important to your school and its students. (Your application can extend to as many pages as necessary.)

Your signature: _____

Date: _____

ATTENTION ADMINISTRATOR: Your signature below signifies your agreement to provide any substitute coverage needed for applicant above to attend Academy training sessions.

Administrator signature: _____

Date: _____