

# Missouri Statewide TEACHER ACADEMY



*Improving Student Achievement  
Using Effective Instructional Practices*

## **What is the Program Design?**

Teacher Academy is a replication of the very successful Leadership Academy Satellite Program, which has been fundamental in providing professional growth for school leaders. The Academy focus is centered on student engagement, instructional strategies, and reflection on practices that align with the Missouri State Teacher Standards. Teacher Academy is designed to provide participants with an intellectually stimulating opportunity to learn new teaching strategies and collaborate with other highly committed teachers in their region and throughout the state.

Participation requires monthly release days for regional meetings and two state meetings: Statewide Kickoff in September and a second session in May. Tuition, travel expenses (including hotel at the Statewide meetings), and substitutes will be the responsibility of the school or individual.

## **Who Qualifies to be a Teacher Academy Fellow?**

- A current classroom teacher with three years of classroom experience
- A teacher with demonstrated classroom effectiveness
- A teacher with a commitment to sustained professional growth

## **How are Academy Fellows selected?**

Fellows are selected from an application process which requires a narrative response to a set of questions and two letters of recommendation.

## **What are the costs and deadline?**

The program fee is \$500, due after acceptance. Please apply before July 1, 2017 as the first session will be at the end of July or first part of August.

**To Apply:** Download application at [www.nwrpdc.org](http://www.nwrpdc.org) or call: 660-562-1995 or e-mail: [rpdc@nwmissouri.edu](mailto:rpdc@nwmissouri.edu)

# Application to the Missouri Teacher Academy

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Subjects taught/grade level: \_\_\_\_\_

Years of experience: \_\_\_\_\_

Highest Degree Earned: \_\_\_\_\_



Name of School District: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_

School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

School Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

School E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Home E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

| Recent Educational Experience:<br>School District/School Name | Grade Level and/or Content<br>Area | Years in<br>District |
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**Write a short narrative answering the following questions and attach to your application:**

What educational issues/challenges most concern you in your classroom?

If selected, what do you hope to gain from your experience in Teacher Academy?

What is your current involvement in school reform or in professional development?

Fee: \$500 paid to Northwest RPDC

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

The building principal must sign below to indicate their willingness to support your participation in the Missouri Teacher Academy.

Principal's Signature : \_\_\_\_\_ Date : \_\_\_\_\_

Application deadline is July 1, 2017

- Attach: Narrative response to the questions.
- Letter of recommendation from school administrator
- Letter of recommendation from teacher colleague

Return to: Northwest RPDC  
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Maryville, MO 64468  
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