ESC19 TPCP Teacher Residency Program

About Teacher Residencies

A teacher residency is where a teacher candidate is paired with an experienced, highly effective mentor teacher for a full-year of clinical training/co-teaching in a K-12 classroom (minimum of 3 days per week for full year). Residencies take place at the undergraduate and post-baccalaureate level. In some cases, residents receive a stipend during the year-long residency.

Program Details

The ESC19 TPCP Teacher Residency Program is a dynamic 1-year experience designed to prepare aspiring teachers to be Day 1-ready. In partnership with Clint Independent School District, we offer a unique opportunity to gain practical classroom experience and receive personalized mentorship from an experienced and successful teacher trained to mentor.

Residents are matched with a carefully selected and highly skilled mentor teacher who will guide and support them through both semesters of the residency. Mentor teachers share their expertise, provide coaching and feedback, and help residents develop the necessary skills to excel in the classroom. Along with a mentor teacher, residents receive guidance and support from their ESC19 TPCP Field Supervisor and TPCP instructors. Our residency program emphasizes hands-on learning for two semesters. Under the guidance and supervision of their mentor teacher, residents have the opportunity to actively engage in the classroom through various co-teaching models with their mentor teacher, working closely with students and applying the knowledge gained from coursework directly into practice. Through this year-long immersive experience, residents develop a deep understanding of effective lesson design and delivery, as well as instructional strategies, classroom management techniques, and student-centered approaches to teaching. Being in the classroom under the guidance of a highly-skilled mentor teacher for one year, as opposed to only one semester, better prepares residents for effective and successful teaching in their own classroom.

Resident Engagement During Year-long Residency

TPCP Teacher Residency Semester 1

Residents will...

- Attend TPCP courses in person on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm
- Successfully complete all content certification exams
- Work in an assigned classroom in a partnering district alongside a designated mentor teacher three full days per week, on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays
- Observe assigned mentor teacher and reflect on teaching methods
- Assist in small-group and whole-group activities under the guidance of mentor teacher;
 receive coaching and feedback
- Participate in professional development sessions and Profession Learning Community (PLC) meetings with their mentor teacher
- Acquire knowledge about lesson design from TPCP courses and from mentor teacher and grade-level/subject professional learning communities

TPCP Teacher Residency Semester 2

Residents will...

- Work in an assigned classroom in a partnering district alongside a designated mentor teacher 5 days per week, for the entire school day
- Use different co-teaching models with mentor teacher; receive coaching and feedback
- Teach and plan independently (under the guidance and supervision of mentor teacher) and receive coaching and feedback
- Engage in planning sessions with mentor teacher and PLC teams
- Attend two TPCP Professional Development Seminars at Region 19 ESC
- Complete TPCP clinical teaching requirements (observations and reflections) and documentation.
- Successfully complete the pedagogy exam: PPR or edTPA
- Apply for teaching positions in partnering district (priority) or other Region 19 district

Program Eligibility

Teacher candidates who are pursuing teacher certification in Mathematics 4-8, Mathematics 7-12, Science 4-8, and Science 7-12 and who are accepted into ESC19 TPCP's STEM Cohort, will complete the year-long residency as part of their clinical teaching experience.

Teacher candidates who are accepted into ESC19 TPCP in traditional cohorts and who are pursuing certification in any area are eligible to participate in the ESC19 Teacher Residency program as part of their clinical teaching experience.

How We Started

The ESC19 TPCP Teacher Residency started in partnership with the 3-Rivers Foundation, Texas Teacher Quality Partnership and Clint Independent School District with the generous support of the 3-Rivers Education Foundation.

Contact Us

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