

Teacher Support Department

Purpose

Our mission is to facilitate and support the growth of all provisional teachers in their pursuit to be caring, effective, and exceptional in providing high levels of learning for all students.



Teacher Specialists

- Serve 877 provisional teachers
- Train and work with 206 school-based mentors
- Visit each provisional teacher once a month
- Provide resources to enrich classroom instruction and management
- Support struggling teachers
 - Taking them on observations
 - Setting them up with resources
 - Coaching
 - Lesson planning





Orientation

- 296 teachers
 - Late hire orientation in January
- Topics
 - Human Resources
 - Professional Agreement
 - Lesson design and engagement
 - Curriculum (Math, Science, ELA, Social Studies, Fine Arts, etc.)

TEACHER EXPERIENCE

Of the 435 teachers we hired for the 2017-2018 school year:

- 202 are new to the profession Elementary: 117 Secondary: 85

-233 come to us with experience

Elementary: 129 Secondary: 104

Mentor Training

- **131** Elementary mentors
- **75** Secondary mentors
- Summer training on state laws and requirements
- Monthly trainings on skills and resources
 - Lesson design
 - Classroom management
 - Engagement
 - Growth mindset





Entry Years Enhancement (EYE)

The primary goal of quality mentoring for the Entry Years Enhancement (EYE) program is to support beginning teachers in the development of skills and expertise to become successful practitioners of effective instruction as required in the Utah Effective Teaching Standards.

PEDAGOGY AND CONTENT KNOWLEDGE

A quality mentor...

- Supports the beginning teacher's pedagogy to increase student learning and engagement.
- Guides understanding of the Utah Core Standards to align instructional design.
- Provides direction in the use of assessment tools to drive instruction for student achievement.
- Advises the beginning teacher in implementing structured classroom management.
- Assists in structuring an inclusive classroom that meets the needs of all learners.
- Coaches the beginning teacher in strategies that ensure all students develop meta-cognitive and higher order thinking skills.

RELATIONSHIPS

A quality mentor...

- Maintains confidentiality and trust.
- Fosters autonomy in the beginning teacher.
- Advocates for the new educator in forming networks of support.
- Commits to empathetic, respectful, and positive interactions.

COMMUNICATION

A quality mentor...

- Uses communication skills to promote reflection and improve instruction.
- Collects data to facilitate conversation and influence instructional practice.
- Uses modeling, coaching, collaboration, and consulting skills to aid in educator development.

ADULT LEARNING

A quality mentor...

- Knows and applies adult learning theory.
- Encourages the beginning teacher to take ownership of professional learning and growth.
- Accepts the beginning teacher as emerging and uses techniques to support the development process.

MENTOR GROWTH AND LEARNING

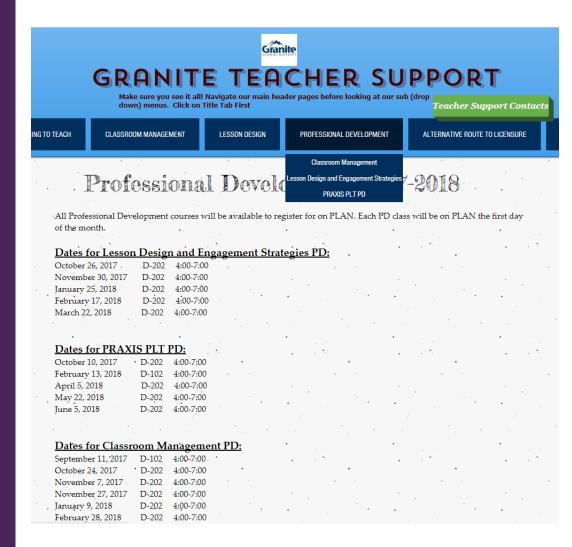
auality mentor.

- Seeks out and collaborates on implementation of professional development opportunities.
- Deepens mentoring expertise through reflection.
- Coaches other mentors and is willing to be coached.

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Classes Offered

- Monthly classes offered on:
 - Lesson Design and Engagement
 - Tier I Classroom Management
 - Tier II and III Classroom Management
 - PLT Praxis Prep
- Additional clasees
 - Grant Writing
 - Health and Wellness
 - Classroom Organization
 - Website/Canvas Design





Intervention

- Total number of teachers in intervention- 63
 - 5 continue intervention 17-18
 - 24 teaching successfully
 - 9 resigned
 - 6 left the district

6 ARL Teachers

- 5 continue intervention
- 1 released from intervention

42 Level 1 Teachers

- 14 continue intervention
- 28 released from intervention

15 Level 2 Teachers

- 5 continue intervention
- 10 released from intervention

46 Elementary Teachers

- 17 continue intervention
- 29 released from intervention

17 Secondary Teachers

- 7 continue intervention
- 10 released from intervention

ARL support/training

Alternative Route to Licensure

Program Description

Utah's Alternative Routes to Licensure (ARL) is a teacher preparation program for individuals who wish to earn an initial Level 1 teaching license or are currently licensed teachers who wish to earn another type of teaching license. ARL allows participants to teach in an accredited Utah school on a temporary license for up to three years while they are fulfilling licensure requirements. Participants must be employed by a Utah school district, charter school, or accredited private or parochial school while earning a license and must be teaching in a licensed position at the time a license is earned and issued. Employed ARL participants must complete a formal ARL plan which may include such things as required content knowledge test(s), content courses, workshops/conferences, and general pedagogy courses (typically 7-10 classes), teaching successfully for a minimum of one year if full time or two years if less than full time in their eligible subject area at the same school consecutively, having successful principal's evaluations of classroom performance and teaching disposition skills, and upon program completion, being recommended for licensure by the principal and the ARL advisor. Participants are responsible for all costs involved in completing the ARL process. Participants successfully completing the ARL process. Participants successfully

ARL State Steps

ARL Licensing Process

ARL Application Form

Background Check Information

Sample Endorsement Application

USBE Endorsement Page

Content Course Eligibility Worksheet

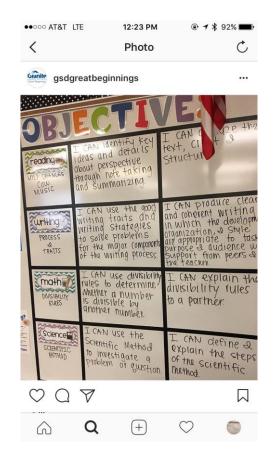
Content Course Eligibility Sample

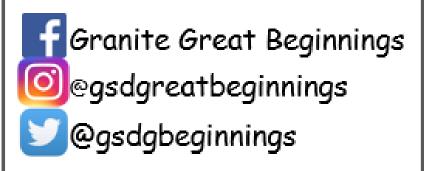
USU Secondary ARL Masters Program

- Offer Six Classes a Year to Help the teacher to get their license
- Offered from 4 to 7:30 Tuesday and Thursday Nights
- Currently there are 75 teachers enrolled in the classes
- Teachers still take methods classes through the State Office of Education
- PRAXIS exams

Website









Social Media