

Browning Public Schools  
**Board Agenda Request**  
Meeting to Be Held: 6/14/22



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**Recognition:**     Students                       Staff                       Parents  
**Information:**     Building Report             Old Business             Superintendent's Report  
**Action:**         Resignation                 Hiring                     Contract Service Agreements  
                   Travel Out-of-State         Travel In State         Approvals  
                   Termination                 Legal Matters         Other:  
                  This action request pertains to     Elementary (only)     High School/District Wide

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**Date:**        6/07/2022

**To**            **School board Members**

**From:**       Corrina Guardipee-Hall ED.S.  
**Title:**        Superintendent

**Subject: Teacher Residency Demonstration Pilot Project**

**Description:** We have been approved by OPI for the Teacher Residency Demonstration Pilot program: It entails student teachers student teaching for a full one year under a strong mentor teacher. Instead of our district providing free housing for these student teachers they are asking that we provide a living stipend. The stipend will be \$1,000.00 per month, plus fringe, per student teacher.

The Montana Teacher Residency Demonstration Project prepares teachers to best serve their students. Through undergraduate coursework, the teacher-leader academy, targeted support, and a yearlong apprenticeship in the classroom, residents connect theory to practice and gain the skills of highly effective practitioners who will be ready on day one to successfully lead their own classrooms.

Residents begin the program with a two-week summer institute, then enter a one-year, in-school apprenticeship under a teacher-leader. During the year, residents engage in summits sponsored by the Office of Public Instruction while simultaneously completing coursework to earn a bachelor's degree from their Montana university. In exchange for committing to teach in a high-needs rural Montana school district for two years, residents receive a stipend, partial tuition support, and district-provided housing.

At each residency site, teams of educators work together to support one another. The project aims to place at least two residents with two teacher-leaders in each school. The project will launch in fall 2022 with a minimum of eight demonstration schools, 16 resident teachers, and 16 teacher-leaders.

The Montana Teacher Residency Demonstration Project is the first program of its kind in the state. The project was co-developed by representatives from the Montana University System, the Office of Public Instruction, school districts, the Montana School Boards Association, legislators, and residency model experts from Colorado, Idaho, Illinois, Virginia, and Washington, D.C. The Region 17 Comprehensive Center has facilitated many think-tank sessions since October 2021.

**Financial Impact: \$54,000.00 plus fringe**

**Funding Source (Budget/grant, etc.): 126.10.120.1700.112**

**Attachment(s):** Email from OPI

**Approval:** Superintendent's Office/Finance/Personnel as applicable (Initial) \_\_\_\_\_

**Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Board Action:**  N/A (Info)  Approved  Denied  Tabled to: \_\_\_\_\_

From: **Kouba, Carrie** <[Carrie.Kouba@mt.gov](mailto:Carrie.Kouba@mt.gov)>

Date: Mon, Jun 6, 2022 at 9:36 PM

Subject: Teacher Residency Demonstration Pilot

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Good Evening Corrina and Dennis,

We are pleased to confirm that Browning is on track to be one of the Teacher Residency Demonstration pilot project locations.

Information related to the Summer Institute is below.

Resident Teachers have rooms reserved with Montana State University and need to register for the Summer Institute through this link. [SUMMER INSTITUTE](#). Registration closes on June 12<sup>th</sup>. You will be involved with sessions on Wednesday and Thursday with lunch time and end-of-day work with Dr. Murgel. Friday will be a joint session with the Teacher-Leaders at the Residence Inn in Bozeman. The schedule will be sent this week to all resident teachers.

Teacher Leaders will begin on Tuesday in sessions on Coaching for Learning being held at the Residence Inn in Bozeman. Teacher leaders are open for Monday Summer Institute sessions and again the link above will get you registered. You can also seek lodging in the dorm rooms for a cost effective stay. Otherwise, the OPI does have a room block from which you can reserve a room ASAP, if you are without lodging. We will begin each day at 9:00 a.m. – Tuesday-Thursday and Friday will be a 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. session with the Residents, also at the Residence Inn. Please be sure to get your application completed for the Teacher Leadership Academy. This is the path for information that will flow to you. **Corrina and Dennis, we need the names of the teacher leaders, ASAP so we can start to know them.**

Staff from the OPI will be to your school district this summer to visit with you in more detail on the residency. **Please be sure your application form is completed using this [link](#) by June 12, 2022.** Also send dates when you will be working so we can coordinate schedules.

We strongly encourage the executive leaders to also apply for the executive leadership academy as this will build continuity and capacity for your district as teacher-leaders, executive leaders and residents work together. The first session for executives will be August 18-20

We look forward to visiting with you, in person, this summer.

Have a happy day,



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