



Grow Your Own Teacher Program

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PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Receive a reimbursement up to \$3,600 annually for college tuition and books
*subject to KPERS deduction
- Designed to provide financial assistance to current, permanent, classified employees to encourage and enable them to pursue full-time teaching careers in a hard to fill certified position

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- 60 or more transferable college credits
- Minimum 2.7 GPA
- Employed at Wichita Public Schools for at least one year in a .5 FTE or above OR guest staff position
- Pursue a hard-to-fill certified position
- Commit to teaching at WPS for a minimum period of 3 consecutive years

HOW TO APPLY

- Be accepted into a university's educational/licensure program and prepare a plan of study
- Complete a Grow Your Own Teacher Application at usd259.org/careers
- Submit your university transcript and plan of study with the application
- Respond promptly to any application questions from WPS

QUESTIONS?

Contact us:
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TEACHING OBLIGATIONS BROKEN DOWN BY SEMESTERS PAID:

Terms Paid	Teaching Obligation
1-3 terms	3 years
4 terms	4 years
5 terms	5 years
6 terms	6 years

SPECIFICS:

Individuals with at least sixty (60) transferable college credit hours must meet and comply with the following:

Submit a USD 259 application including all required attachments, by the agreed upon date:

- To be eligible for funding in the **fall term**, a completed application and a course of study must be submitted on/before **June 1st** in the school year funding is requested.
- To be eligible for funding in the **spring term**, a completed application and a course of study must be submitted on/before **December 1st** in the school year funding is requested.
- To be eligible for funding in the **summer term**, a completed application and a course of study must be submitted on/before **April 15th** in the school year funding is requested.

NOTE: Applications received after the designated dates above will be considered in the order received, if funds are available.

Hard To Fill Positions include SPED, Math, English, History, Science, or Elementary core. Preference will be given to those pursuing a Special Education teaching career path.



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