

Application for:
Research Experience for Teachers
Application due Monday, February 1, 2010
Notification of acceptance Monday, March 1, 2010

Please submit your application (online or attached electronically preferred) to
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Program Description: For this program, RM-MSMSP will recruit a total of 12 middle-school mathematics teachers and 12 middle-school science teachers primarily from partner districts to participate in a 5-week long intensive summer research experience in the Mathematical Sciences. Tentative dates are June 14-July 16, 2010. Teachers will work alongside faculty and graduate students, participating in research projects in various specializations of the mathematical or physical sciences. As collaborative partners, they will study and design a research project. The RET program will be worth 3 or 4 graduate credits. All teachers will meet on a weekly basis with the RET Leadership Team to debrief their work and discuss how their work potentially relates to the middle school classroom (communication, technical reading, proof skills, mathematical research, leveling content/and research methods to middle school and other instructional issues).

Internship Outcomes: The internships are designed to increase the scientific/mathematical knowledge base of the participating teachers while providing hands-on experience in inquiry-based research. Teachers will:

- Experience the steps involved in scientific/mathematical process and discovery.
- Explore the experimental control and its purpose in each set of experiments.
- Participate in scaffolded activities that provide the right level of support that teachers need to conduct each phase of the procedures involved in research.
- Gain increasing levels of responsibility for research procedures, until they are able to perform the procedures independently.

Internship Assessment:

- Maintain a science laboratory notebook throughout the internships that documents the process through the science writing heuristic, new understandings, and reflections of readings and seminars.
- The evaluator on the grant, The Evaluation Center, School of Education and Human Development, University of Colorado Denver, will conduct some interviews throughout the year, will do classroom observations, and administer

some other types of evaluation tools. You will be asked to sign a consent form for these various tools in order to be included in the internship program.

- Present the results of the experiment, the conclusions supported by these results, and the next logical step in the research investigation.

Application Requirements:

- Submit Application Cover Sheet (next page)
- Submit Current Resume' and relevant university transcripts (including at least four RM content courses)
- Letter of interest describing the following:
 - What is your motivation for applying?
 - What do you hope to gain by participating in this summer research project?
 - How do you anticipate that you will apply this experience into classroom instruction; for you and your students?
 - How do you plan to share your learning with colleagues in your building? In the district?
 - What are your leadership strengths and experiences?
- Support letter from a previous RM-MSMSP content course instructor including comments on your letter of interest. (contact list attached) **Only one letter is needed, more than three letters will not be accepted.**
- District Approval from Principal or district contact (list attached)

Research Experience for Teachers Application Cover Sheet
Rocky Mountain Middle School Math & Science Partnership Grant

Teacher Name _____

School & District _____

Grade _____

Research area of interest _____

2008-2009 RM-MSMSP Instructors

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* Michael Jacobson & Doris Kimbrough will not be able to write letters of support due to the “conflict of interest” it will present as they will be part of the selection committee.

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