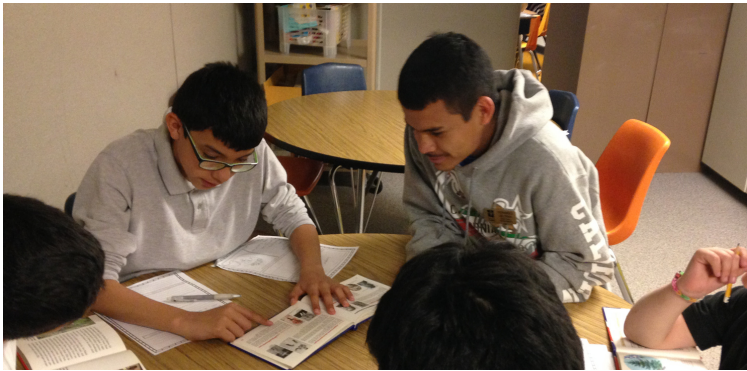
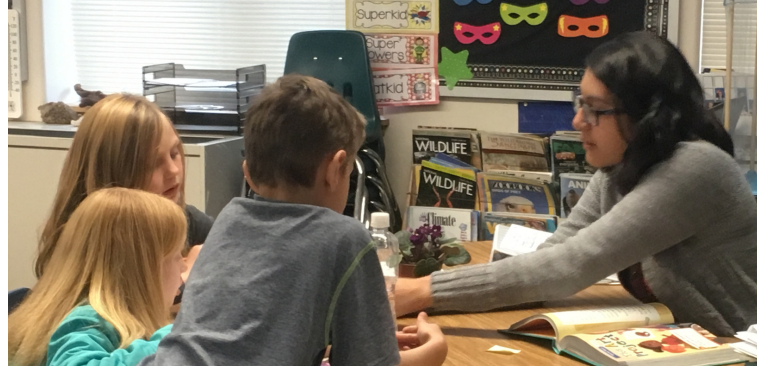


CULTIVATING TOMORROW'S TEACHERS

The nation faces an acute shortage of teachers, as well as academically talented students who are interested in teaching as a career. Colorado's Teacher Cadet Program can help your school, district, and state establish a program that is certain to impact the recruitment of high school students into the teaching profession.

TEACHER CADETS



WHY COLORADO SCHOOLS NEED TEACHER CADETS

Young people need to see "folks like them" in professional positions...whether they are doctors, lawyers, accountants or TEACHERS.

- The Teacher Cadet program provides the needed spark to encourage academically talented students to pursue a career in the education profession. After completing the course, many Teacher Cadets choose teaching as the career they plan to pursue after college. Nearly one out of four students who plan to teach indicate they were undecided or planned to pursue a different career before taking the course.
- The curriculum utilizes a hands-on approach to educate students on the requirements to become a successful teacher and enables students to put their knowledge to work through a classroom internship.
- Programmatic components make students more aware and appreciative of the education profession which fosters advocacy for education policy.

HISTORY

The South Carolina Center for Educator Recruitment, Retention and Advancement developed the Teacher Cadet program in 1985. They have trained educators in 38 states and more than 65,500 students have participated in this program. In the year 2001, Colorado implemented the program and has seen it grow from two high schools to over 20. Reimbursement is available through CVA funds and Carl Perkins Federal funding if the program becomes an approved secondary program through the Colorado Community College System (CCCS).



HAPPENINGS IN TEACHER CADET IN COLORADO

- Annual curriculum training, including an update to the Experiencing Education 11th Edition
- On-going, required teacher professional development
- Creative and flexible implementation models to assure all students have access the Teacher Cadet program
- Education Pathways for middle school to high school and high school to post-secondary teacher preparation programs
- Strong relationships with post-secondary partners to ensure dual/concurrent enrollment
- Professional learning community for the Teacher Cadet instructors to access shared resources and best practices
- Underrepresented population recruitment with targeted promotional materials
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COLORADO IMPLEMENTATION

- CTE Education Program Formula Funding
- Option to select a dynamic teacher for Teacher Cadet
- Career and Technical Education Credential
- Curriculum Training and Professional Development
- English credit for Teacher Cadet offered in some districts
- Program accountability
- Rigorous Curriculum
- Data Collection
- Proven to be sustainable and successful over the last 17 years



COLORADO TEACHER CADET PROGRAM VISION

- A state leadership position and funding for the administration, training, professional development, articulation and public relations of the program
- Student access to a flexible and adaptable implementation model for the Colorado Teacher Cadet program to ensure all students have the opportunity throughout the state.
- Strengthen the teaching pathway by linking middle school to high school programs then to postsecondary teacher preparation programs and licensure

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Be a Junior or Senior
- Have a GPA/GPR of at least 3.0 on a 4-point scale
- Be recommended by three or more instructors
- Submit an essay on why one wants to be in the class
- Participate in an interview
- Agree to provide data for program evaluation via a brief pre- and post-survey.

COLLEGE PARTNERS

Teacher Cadet College Partners are post-secondary institutions with teacher education programs that commit to nurturing the next generation of exemplary teachers. This network of collegiate faculty, along with their institutions, provides support to Teacher Cadet site partners with one of these institutions that provide the opportunity for Teacher Cadets to earn transferable college credit.

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