



October 16, 2023

Dear Teacher Resident,

I hope this letter finds you well. We are excited to kick off the first Residency Learning Lab at the MSU Northern campus in Havre, Montana, on Thursday, October 19th and Friday, October 20th.

The Learning Lab is a unique opportunity for Teacher Residents to further enhance their teaching skills and knowledge through a series of instructional workshops, hands-on activities, and engaging discussions. This event will provide you with invaluable insights and practical tools to support your professional development as educators.

Event Details:

- Location: MSU Northern Campus, Cowan Hall, Room 113 (see attached campus map)
- Dates: Thursday, October 19th and Friday, October 20th
- Time: Thursday: 4pm-8pm and Friday: 9am-2pm

Lodging Information:

For your convenience, we have arranged special lodging accommodations for participants at the following nearby hotel: Quality Inn Havre 601 1st SW. Please provide the front desk with your name and inform them you're associated with the Office of Public Instruction (OPI). Your room has already been paid for by our agency.

Learning topics during the Learning Lab include: (agenda attached)

1. Mastering Executive Function and Self-regulation
2. Classroom Dynamics and Proactive Management
3. Alignment of Learning Goals and Assessments
4. Practice and Support of Learning Experience Design

We believe it will be an enriching, collaborative experience that will contribute to your growth as an educator. If you have any questions or need further information about the event or lodging arrangements, please do not hesitate to contact Krystal Smith at krystal.smith@mt.gov. I'm here to assist you with any queries you may have.

We look forward to your participation in the Learning Lab and believe that your presence will enrich the experience for all attendees. Thank you for your dedication to the field of education, and we anticipate an inspiring and educational event.

Sincerely,

Krystal Smith
Education Innovation Manager
Office of Public Instruction



Residency Learning Lab

October 19-20, 2023

Havre, MT

Goals and Objectives:

1. Mastering Executive Function and Self-regulation:
 - By the end of this training, participants will have an in-depth understanding of the fundamental aspects of executive function and its influence on student behaviors and learning. They'll be equipped to craft instructional strategies that enhance students' self-regulation abilities, positioning them for optimal learning outcomes.
2. Classroom Dynamics and Proactive Management:
 - Participants will be immersed in the principles of proactive classroom management. They'll recognize the symbiotic relationship between classroom routines and positive learning environments. Moreover, they'll be poised to craft and adapt strategies ensuring student responsibility and streamlined classroom functioning.
3. Alignment of Learning Goals and Assessments:
 - Through this module, participants will be empowered to ensure congruence between curriculum-based learning objectives and their assessments. They'll appreciate the necessity of alignment for effective instruction, and they'll be equipped to adjust their practices based on assessment feedback, ensuring the best student comprehension and achievement. Specific emphasis will be on designing instruction with more opportunities for formative assessment.
4. Continued Practice and Support of Learning Experience Design:
 - Participants will delve deep into the intricacies of instructional design tailored for diverse classrooms. By the end, they should have enhanced skills at designing engaging learning experiences, employing a mix of strategies and technologies. Reflective teaching will become second nature, as they evaluate and refine their methods based on real-world classroom feedback.

Thursday, October 19th

4:00pm	Session1: Classroom and Student Management
5:30pm	working dinner
6:00pm	Session 2: Executive Functioning and Classroom Behavior
7:30pm	preview of tomorrow

Friday, October 20th

9:00am	opening
9:15am	Discover Education introduction via Zoom
9:45am	Session 3: Goals Alignment to Assessment
11:30am	working lunch
12:00pm	Session 4: Goals Alignment to Assessment (continued)
1:30pm	closing