



Beginning Educator Support Team (BEST) Letter of Agreement Year One Participants 2019-20

Welcome to the Beginning Educators Support Team (BEST) program, a unique opportunity made possible by a state grant for new and beginning teacher development. As a participant you will be matched with an experienced teacher as your mentor, receive high-quality professional development during the school year, and network with a group of outstanding educators. New or beginning educators, for these purposes, are Year One (Y1) or Year Two (Y2) candidates. You qualify as a Y1 because you have taught 179 days or fewer in a continuous, certificated teaching assignment in public or private schools anywhere in the United States. Questions and concerns about the BEST program should first be directed to the building principal, then the district key contact, and finally to BEST grant support, Mike Esping (mike.esping@esd112.org).

Please complete the form below. All information is required.

Personal Information			
First name:		Last name:	
Work email:			
District Information			
District:		School:	
Principal/admin name:		Admin email:	
Teaching assignment content/grade:			
Name of mentor (leave blank if unknown):			

Y1 teachers who take part in the BEST program consent to make the following commitments:

- Meet with mentor weekly
- Be observed by mentor a minimum of 4 times per year (8 times for release mentor)
- With support of mentor, observe peers or mentor
- Participate in all Professional Growth Plan meetings (PGP) with mentor and develop a PGP
- Participate in professional development classes aligned with PGP & district framework
- Submit a reflection on PGP at the end of the program prior to compensation

By signing this document, I agree to fully participate and complete all grant activities.

Signature _____ Date _____

Return to Karen Solberg (karen.solberg@esd112.org) after completion.