The Independence School District has partnered with Northwest Missouri State University to offer a unique fellowship opportunity.

Fellows will be employed as first-year teachers in the ISD with the direct support of a district-assigned mentor while obtaining a Master's of Science in Education in Curriculum and Instruction: Engagement, Learning, and Achievement from NWMS.





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Teaching Fellowship Program





Since 1997, the ISD has hosted more than 130 Fellows at 13 elementary, four middle and two high schools.

Benefits & Housing

The ISD recognizes the financial challenges associated with graduate school for teachers. The district is committed to providing additional supports for Fellowship teachers with the following amenities and benefits:

- A district-assigned mentor who will assist with curriculum implementation, refining instructional practices, classroom management, and support with graduate coursework
- Free, fully-furnished housing, including utilities and wifi
- Health insurance
- Access to the district's free fitness center and health clinic
- Financial assistance to purchase classroom supplies through the Independence School District Foundation

Fellows are financially responsible for their graduate tuition to Northwest Missouri State University. Classes are offered to ISD Fellows at a reduced rate. Some financial assistance may be available to Fellows through NWMS.

NWMS Admissions Requirements

- Be pre-hired by the Independence School District
- Complete a teacher education program prior to the start of the Fellowship year
- Be eligible for state licensure
- Earn a 3.0 GPA in undergraduate coursework
- Have a GRE or other NWMS qualifying score
- Commit to 3 years of teaching in the Independence School District after successful completion of the fellowship program

NWMS Courses

The Master's Degree in Curriculum and Instruction consists of 30 credit hours taken over 4 trimesters. Classes will be held at the ISD's Central Office or Northland Innovation Center.

Summer - 2 courses Fall - 3 courses Spring - 3 courses Summer - 2 courses

- Culture and Student Engagement
- Visionary School Leadership
- Feedback and Goal Setting
- · Leading the Digital Age
- Change Mangement in Education
- Data Literacy and Assessment for Schools
- Multicultural Education for Diversity, Equality, and Inclusion
- Trends and Issues in Curriculum & Instruction
- Academic Inquiry
- Capstone Seminar