PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Addressing teacher-talent needs in rural West Texas.

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The shortage of qualified teachers across West Texas represents a significant failure to provide for the economic future of rural communities. The West Texas Rural Education Partnership will prepare over 200 new teachers annually for rural schools in our region by creating inter-organizational systems consisting of 3 universities, 9 community colleges and 45 rural districts all focused on addressing teacher-talent needs of rural schools. Join us today!

PARTNER INSTITUTIONS

Amarillo College
Clarendon College
El Paso Community College
Frank Phillips College
Howard College
Midland College
Odessa College
South Plains College
Western Texas College
Texas Tech University
University of Texas Permian Basin
University of Texas at El Paso
West Texas A&M University

GOALS

Align district, community college, and university organizations into a single system. Increase local talent seeking teacher certification.

Implement high-quality support for rural teacher candidates. Coach and train district-based site coordinators. Improve quality of candidate support in remote, rural districts. Increase retention of high-quality teachers in rural districts.

Represent “rural” in the curriculum. Include coursework about teaching in rural schools. Increase efficacy and value for teaching in rural schools.

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