What is the Program Design?
Teacher Academy is a replication of the very successful Leadership Academy Program, which has been fundamental in providing professional growth for school leaders. The Academy focus is centered on student engagement, instructional strategies and reflection on practices that align with the Missouri State Teacher Standards. Teacher Academy is designed to provide participants with an intellectually stimulating opportunity to learn new teaching strategies and collaborate with other highly committed teachers in their region and throughout the state.

Participation requires a one-day statewide kickoff session in the fall, monthly release days for regional meetings and a one-day graduation session. Tuition, transportation, food and substitutes will be the responsibility of the school or individual.

State Meetings
• Virtual kick off session - September 14, 2020
• Virtual or in-person one-day winter meeting - January 21, 2021
• On-demand learning

Who Qualifies to be a Teacher Academy Fellow?
• Current classroom teachers with three years of classroom experience
• Teachers who demonstrate classroom effectiveness
• Teachers with a commitment to sustained professional growth

How are Academy Fellows Selected?
Fellows are selected from an application process which requires two letters of recommendation and a narrative response to a list of questions.

Cost, Dates & Location
Fees are paid to your Regional Professional Development Center (RPDC). The statewide meeting dates are September 14, 2020, and January 21, 2021. The kickoff will be held virtually and the winter meeting may also be held virtually, depending on the pandemic situation at that time.

To register for either statewide meeting date, please visit https://dese.mo.gov/teacher-academy.

You’ll also need to register with your RPDC (listed on page 2).
### Southeast RPDC
- 1 University Plaza, MS0120
- Cape Girardeau, MO 64701
- 800-401-6680; 573-651-5161

### South Central RPDC
- 800 University Drive
- Rolla, MO 65409-1530
- 800-667-0665; 573-341-6473

### Heart of Missouri
- London Hall
- Columbia, MO 65211
- 800-214-2753; 573-882-8524

### The Agency for Teaching, Leading and Learning
- Missouri State University
- 901 South National
- PCOB 250
- Springfield, MO 65897
- 800-735-3702; 417-836-4090

### Kansas City RPDC
- 30 West Pershing Road
- Union Station Ste. 401
- Kansas City, MO 64108
- 816-235-5652

### Education Plus/St. Louis RPDC
- 1460 Craig Road
- St. Louis, MO 63146
- 800-835-8282; 314-872-8282

### Northeast RPDC
- 2200 Violette Hall
- 100 E. Normal
- Kirksville, MO 63501
- 888-878-7732; 660-785-4310

### Central RPDC
- 232 Foster Knox
- Warrensburg, MO 64093
- 800-762-4146

### Northwest RPDC
- McKemy Center
- 800 University Drive
- Maryville, MO 64468
- 800-663-3348; 660-562-1995

### Southwest Center
- 528 South Ellis
- Webb City, MO 64870
- 417-673-7078