**PROSPECTIVE MENTOR TEACHERS *FOR CLASSROOM INTERACTIONS* –**

**HIGH SCHOOL**

Thank you for considering being a mentor teacher for the Teach North Texas program at the University of North Texas. We are looking to place students into 9th, 10th, 11th, or 12th grade classrooms in your district.

***What is Classroom Interactions?***

Classroom Interactions (CI) is typically the fourth course in the Teach North Texas program sequence. It is the second in a series of three College of Education courses, following EDSE 3000, *Knowing & Learning*, and preceding EDSE 4500, *Project-Based Instruction*. An important focus of the course is on building students’ awareness and understanding of equity issues and their effects on learning. Additionally, the course introduces ways in which curriculum and technology are used in classroom settings to build relationships among teachers and students. The goal of this course is for students to be able to apply theoretical and practical frameworks to analyze various instructional activities, focusing on content development through teach-student, student-student, and group interactions.

***Design of Field Experience:***

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      * 2 teaches; 1 one-day teach and 1 two-day teach
      * Most students will teach in pairs.
      * The first teach is a one-day lesson in two back-to-back class periods.
      * The second teach is a two-day lesson taught during two consecutive class days in the same two back-to-back class periods.

***TNT Student Artifacts:***

* Lesson plans that address 5Es and include knowledge package (concept map) or in-depth discussion of concepts as well as accommodations
* Detailed analysis of teaching based on videotaped evidence, mentor teacher feedback, observer feedback, and student artifacts that draws on relevant education literature and discusses pertinent content issues.
* In-depth analysis of conceptual issues in science and/or mathematics, drawing on the research on pedagogical content knowledge
* Written reflections and peer-to-peer discussions of research literature

**COMPENSATION:**

* $100 for each TNT team
* $21/hour plus a mileage allowance for attending an orientation meeting at UNT (and free breakfast!)

**EXPECTATIONS:**

* Attend an orientation meeting to meet and plan with TNT students they will be mentoring on Saturday, September 10th, 8:30 am – 12:00 pm
* Provide feedback to students regarding their lessons
* Maintain good communication with TNT students
* Complete an evaluation form after each of the lessons (total of 2 lessons taught – 3 days of teaching). See attached form, Lesson Evaluation

Our students would love the opportunity to come and work with you in your classes. The success of our program depends on the talent and expertise of veteran teachers like you.