

STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



TO: Superintendents of Schools

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Talent Office

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SUBJECT: Teacher Education and Mentoring (TEAM) Program

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) Document

Over the past few months, the CSDE Talent Office has gathered questions from the field prompted by changes to the Teacher Education and Mentoring (TEAM) program as the result of the elimination of state funds to support implementation. We have worked with the RESC Alliance, CAPSS, and others to problem solve and seek solutions to assist districts with on-going implementation.

The attached Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document was developed to provide answers to the questions we received most often from districts. This document was sent late last week to TEAM District Facilitators (DFs) as they work most closely with beginning teachers and those implementing TEAM in your district, and serve as our main point of contact regarding TEAM. However, we would also like to ensure you have the most accurate and up-to-date information.

If you have specific questions about information included in the FAQ document, or about anything TEAM related, please don't hesitate to contact me at sarah.barzee@ct.gov or by phone at 860-713-6848 or Claudine Primack, TEAM Program Manager, at Claudine.primack@ct.gov or by phone at 860-713-6826.

Thank you for your patience as we work together to support beginning teachers during their induction phase. We appreciate your continued support and collaboration.

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cc: Claudine Primack, Team Program Manager