Partnership Responsibilities in Phase 4: February - March

Candidate Responsibilities in Phase 4

During this phase your primary task is to prepare to take on the full range of responsibilities of a teacher during your solo experience. Self-assess and talk with your mentor to identify areas in which your confidence or your skills are weak and plan together what responsibilities you can have in the classroom that allow you to strengthen these skills. If you have struggled with literacy instruction, you should ask for more opportunities to teach reading and writing in order to build your skills and confidence in this area. If classroom management is difficult for you, you should ask to be in charge of transitions and the times of day when management issues tend to present themselves. If there is a curriculum area you have not yet taught, ask for the opportunity to take responsibility for the planning and instruction in this area.

Implementing your skills for lesson and unit planning is critical in this phase. You will be creating a curriculum map and daily plans for the solo experience. Take advantage of every opportunity to talk with your mentor about the planning process. Because experienced teachers like your mentor may do much of their planning without writing extensive details on paper, your job is to talk with your mentor and find out about the thinking process that accompanies their plans.

For the formal lessons the supervisor will observe, lesson plans must be provided at least one day in advance and must conform to the ELEM lesson plan template (see page 47)

Mentor Responsibilities in Phase 4

Guiding your student teacher is the goal for this phase. Here the candidate moves toward independence as you prepare to hand over the full responsibility for instruction and planning to the candidate. During this phase your student teacher will spend a considerable amount of time planning for the solo teaching experience. Recede from prominence in the classroom and encourage your student teacher to experiment with new ideas and methods. This is the time when they will begin to find their voice and style as a teacher.

Allow your student teacher to practice making decisions "in the moment" about how to handle student behavior issues, parent communication, instructional choices, and scheduling/pacing options. Make sure that your student teacher also follows through with the consequences resulting from these decisions. Even if your student teacher makes a decision different from the one you would have made, be supportive. Offer help and suggestions, but do not rescue!

Take a proactive role in preparing students and their families for the transition to the solo teaching period. Clearly communicate the new role your student teacher will fulfill, while assuring everyone that you will maintain ultimate responsibility for everything that happens in your classroom during the solo period.

FEBRUARY 2017								
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
			1	2	3	4		
5	6	7 Mentor-Candidate Meeting #3	8	9	10	11		
12	13	14	15	16	17	18		
19	20 President's Day Holiday	21	22	23	24	25		
26	27	28						

	Goal for February: Increase stamina and hone teaching/planning skills					
Candidate		Mentor		Supervisor		
	Attend mentor-candidate meeting #3 at LC		Attend mentor-candidate meeting #3 at LC		Attend mentor-candidate meeting #3 at LC	
	on Tuesday, Feb 7, 5:15-7:00.		on Tuesday, Feb 7, 5:15-7:00.		on Tuesday, Feb 7, 5:15-7:00.	
	Communicate your supervisor to schedule		Occasionally leave the room when your		Communicate with candidate to schedule	
	the third formal observation which must be		candidate is teaching to give him/her a pre-		the third formal observation which must be	
	of a whole group lesson (not math) and send		solo experience.		of a whole group lesson (not math).	
	the supervisor the lesson plan at least one		Often observe your candidate while they is		Submit the third observation report through	
	day prior.		teaching and give specific feedback.		Task Stream.	
	Spend 2- 2.5 hours per week in the second		Meet with candidates for at least 30 minutes			
	level classroom and log hours.		each week. Spend time specifically mapping			
	Take on the responsibility for planning and		out the solo. Your candidate will need your			
	teaching one content area consistently on		support and direction to complete			
	the days you are there.		assignments for Lewis & Clark course			
	Actively seek planning advice from your		<u>requirements.</u>			
	mentor and other colleagues in the building.					

MARCH 2017								
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
			1	2	3	4		
5	6	7	8	9	10	11		
12	13	14Math edTPA	15	16	17	18		
19	20 Begin full time	21	22Literacy edTPA	23	24	25		
26	27	28	29 Spring Break	30	31			

	Goal for March: Demonstrate planning, teaching, assessing, reflecting skill through completion of edTPA						
Candidate		Mentor		Supervisor			
	Communicate with your supervisor to		Communicate with your supervisor to		Attend supervisor meeting at LC on		
	schedule the Formative FFT Triad meeting.	_	schedule the Formative FFT Triad meeting.	_	Wednesday, March 15, 10:00 am-noon.		
	Conduct additional second level practicum observations for a total of 15-20 hours	Ц	Meet with candidates for at least 30 minutes each week. <i>Spend time specifically planning</i>		Communicate with candidate and mentor to schedule the Formative FFT Triad meeting.		
	(January through March).		and preparing for all aspects of the solo.		Submit the Formative FFT scores through		
	Complete all in-classroom edTPA		Support your candidate in the completion of		Task Stream.		
	requirements.		edTPA requirements.				

ALL LC coursework must be completed prior to the start of the solo teaching.
edTPA must be completed and submitted prior to the start of the solo teaching
Failure to complete all spring coursework and edTPA in a timely way will jeopardize the timing of the solo teaching and could prevent
licensure recommendation in June.