

Panel 1

Grow Your Own Models for Teacher Recruitment



Grow Your Own programs focus on recruiting and training potential teachers in the communities where they live

60% of U.S. teachers teach within 20 miles of where they went to high school





Richard Valenta Denton ISD/Teach Denton

What additional impact have you seen or anticipate seeing 'local' teachers make in your district?



Leah Zavala

Denton ISD/Texas Association of Future Educators/Teach Denton

How have you gone about recruiting students to be interested in teaching?

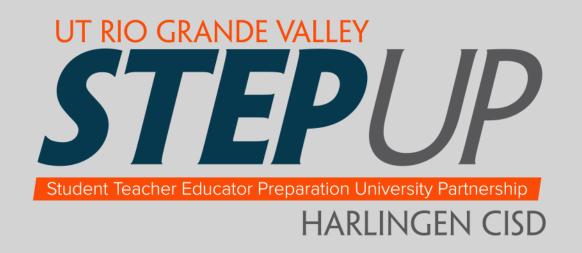


Madison Owen Denton ISD/Teach Denton

How did your experiences and messages you received in high school drive you to your decision to teach?

STEP UP

Student Teacher Educator Preparation: A University Partnership



Harlingen CISD & the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley are revolutionizing teacher preparation by graduating perspective teachers with a "first year teacher" repertoire

Redefining Teacher Preparation



- Designing a clinically rich model based on proven practices and research
- Embedding experiences equivalent to that of a first year teacher
- Finding opportunities for research in the field of education
- Creating mutual benefits for teacher candidates and cooperating teachers
- Building reflective practitioners





Why the Partnership with UTRGV?

Goal 2: We will attract, develop, and retain highly effective educators and provide the tools they need to maximize all students' success.

- SR 2.1 Implement a transformed recruitment plan to attract highly effective educators.
- SR 2.3 Create avenues for educators to acquire new knowledge and reach high levels of success.
- SR 2.5 Establish a retention plan for highly effective educators.
- SR. 2.6 Create multiple venues for professional development designed to transform the learning experience of students.





The Perspective From Within STEP UP Graduate: Melanie Rincones









Melanie Rincones STEP UP

What helped you persist through the program?

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How have you worked with programs to recruit and retain locally grown talent?



Patricia McHatton The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

What have you learned about tailoring your preparation of teachers to meet the needs of specific districts?



If You Would Like to Learn More:

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