



August 13, 2020

Dear Induction Program Candidate,

Welcome to MSMU's Induction Program! We are pleased that you have chosen the Mount for your professional growth and learning opportunity and to clear your preliminary credential!

The first day of class for both the Accelerated EDU 226A and Traditional EDU 225A courses is September 12, 2020. Please be sure to register for your courses promptly. **Each course has assignments due before the first session.** Please check the Education Department website (www.msmu.edu/education) to find the assignment on the course syllabus once it is posted (approximately two weeks prior to class). Your instructors will also give you information on how to access the course. Students in the accelerated EDU 226A course must enroll in EDU 326A. Students in the traditional two-year program EDU 225A course must enroll in EDU 325A.

As you know, each teacher candidate is required to have a mentor. If you have already selected a mentor, ask your mentor to fill out the mentor application (link below), so that we can ensure that your mentor is a good fit to support you through the program and so that they can begin the hiring process. If your mentor is credentialed, but is not a direct match to your grade level cluster or subject area, let us know and we will provide you with a supplemental coach. If you do not have a mentor at all, also inform us and we will provide you with a mentor. If you meet any of these conditions or if you have questions about the mentor process, please contact our Mentor Coordinator, Barbara Locker-Halmy at blocker@msmu.edu.

Your mentor is invited to a **mandatory** Mentor Orientation meeting. If your mentor has served us at some point in the last two years then the orientation is optional. The **Mentor Orientation is Saturday August 29th from 10:00 AM – 12:30 PM**. If your mentor cannot make that date, there are additional make up sessions on **Saturday September 12th from 10:00 AM—12:30 PM or Wednesday, September 16th from 4:00 PM – 6:30 PM**. The Zoom link for all sessions is here:

<https://msmu.zoom.us/j/2551944355>

Meeting ID: 255 194 4355

It is essential that you communicate these dates with your mentor since we will not know who your mentors are and cannot contact them until they fill out the Mentor Application at your request. The application link is here:

<https://forms.gle/o6JTJNjUidjNUGXfC7>. Please forward this link to your mentor.

If you have any questions about the information above or any other immediate concerns, please always feel free to contact me at directly at knao@msmu.edu

We are excited to begin our new Induction Program and are pleased that you will join us for a productive academic year!

Sincerely,

Kimberly Nao

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