

TOMORROW'S EDUCATORS FOR EQUITY IN MADISON: TEEM SCHOLARS

Frequently Asked Questions:

1. **What is TEEM Scholars?**

This is the second year for this new program for MMSD freshman high school students from diverse backgrounds

Goal is to expose students to all facets of teaching careers in MMSD, prepare them for college, and grow the teaching ranks at MMSD to better reflect our student population.

Pre-college programming is a collaboration with UW-Madison PEOPLE for summer residence camps and in-school tutoring.

During summer and school year students will engage in education-specific course-work including action research around critical issues in education in the first year.

2. **What is the time commitment?**

There is a significant time commitment to participating in this programming and requires a dedication to becoming a teacher. TEEM Scholars meet every early release Monday from 3-5pm, with some outside work required. PEOPLE has also made their ACE Tutoring Centers available to TEEM Scholars for tutoring assistance.

3. **What scholarships and employment promises are there?**

The goal of this program is for students completing pre-college programs to receive financial support for college and preferred hiring status within MMSD upon college graduation and teacher certification.

Participating in TEEM Scholars does not guarantee acceptance to UW-Madison or the UW-Madison School of Education. NOR PROVIDE THE PEOPLE COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP, PEOPLE is a separate program.

4. **Do I have to attend UW-Madison?**

This program is designed for students to attend UW-Madison, however admission is not guaranteed to UW-Madison. We are exploring making close connections to Madison College and the direct transfer program to UW-Madison. Students not accepted to UW-Madison or interested in a smaller school environment would be encouraged to attend Madison College for the first two years of general education courses and then transfer to UW-Madison to complete teacher education.

5. **I'm not from a minority background but from a low-income family do I still apply?**

Yes, we are looking at the applicants holistically and it will not exclude you from being selected.

This will be a culturally diverse cohort.

We're looking not only at socio economic backgrounds but also diversity aspects.

6. How is this program different from the PEOPLE Program?

We are collaborating with PEOPLE for pre-college programming to expose students to campus through the summer residence camps and provide pre-college academic support through the ACE in-school tutoring centers.

This program is specific to education with a goal to fully prepare students to be teachers in MMSD. Participants will have experiences specific to education. Students will need to fulfill specific programming commitments in order to be eligible for Forward Madison tuition assistance.

The TEEM scholars will not receive the PEOPLE college scholarships as PEOPLE is a separate program.

7. What specifically does the scholarship cover?

There are numerous scholarship opportunities being investigated. MMSD and UW-Madison School of Education are committed to raising these funds to help support student financial need. Students will apply for scholarships in the spring of their senior year in high school.

All students participating must successfully complete both Forward Madison TEEM Scholars requirements to be eligible for Forward Madison college scholarships. TEEM is a separate program from PEOPLE and students will NOT receive the PEOPLE College Scholarship

8. What if I want to be a HS English Teacher? Will the scholarship cover the cost?

Scholarship options and details are currently being put in place.

MMSD and UW-Madison School of Education are committed to raising funds to help offset the cost of tuition

9. What is the criterion for keeping the scholarship?

Maintaining a 2.75 GPA, and full participation in TEEM programming.

10. Where do we drop off the application?

With your TEEM Scholar High School Coordinator or in the High School Guidance/Student Services Office

11. When does it begin?

For Freshman:

Orientation to PEOPLE for students and families, **May 20**

PEOPLE summer session is **June 18th – July 8th**

TEEM Orientation for students and parents **August 19 11:00am** at the Teacher Education Building, 225 N. Mills Street, room 220

Educator Institute **August 21 – 24** on UW campus from 9:00am-3:00pm

For Sophomores:

CAP July 9-July 28

TEEM Orientation for students and parents **August 19 11:00am** at the Teacher Education Building, 225 N. Mills Street, Room 220

Educator Institute **August 21 – 24** on UW campus from 9:00am-3:00pm

12. When do TEEM Scholars meet during the school year?

TEEM Scholars meet on the UW-Madison campus on early release Mondays from 3:00-5:00pm. A shuttle provides transportation to and from the high schools.

13. What is the role of the parents?

Parents will be an integral part of the support system. We will meet periodically with parents throughout the year.

14. Will students receive bus passes?

Yes, they will for the summer Educator Institute held on the UW-Madison campus. During the school year shuttles will transport students to and from the high schools.

15. Who is on the admission committee?

A combination of representatives from MMSD (teachers & administrators), and UW School of Education (faculty and staff).