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CSUB Department of Teacher Education and Greenfield Union School District Partnership Hosting Second Cohort of Residents

December 14, 2018 — The Department of Teacher Education at California State University, Bakersfield and the Greenfield Union School District will begin the second cohort of Kern Teacher Residency: Greenfield with a kick-off event to be held at the Greenfield District Office on Tuesday, Dec. 18 at 3:30 p.m.

“KTR Greenfield was designed around the strong foundations of previous residencies created by CSUB, but has quickly grown to be its own design to support the Greenfield Union School District. The collaboration that happens between the University, mentor teachers, district staff, and residents creates an environment of exceptional, hands-on support that surpasses most pre-service teacher training,” said Anaya Lee, Kern Teacher Residency, Greenfield University Supervisor and Faculty.

Kern Teacher Residency: Greenfield launched last spring as an innovative teacher preparation partnership between CSUB Department of Teacher Education and the Greenfield Union School District for future elementary school teachers. This cohort of Kern Teacher Residents will be paired with Mentor Teachers and a residency completer will speak at the event to welcome the new students to the program and district.

The residency program follows other CSUB Teacher Education partnerships such as the Kern Rural Teacher Residency program with Lamont, Buttonwillow and Semitropic Elementary School Districts and the Kern Urban Teacher Residency program with Bakersfield City School District (BCSD).

The Department of Teacher Education has worked closely with the National Center for Teacher Residencies for several years to ensure that their residency programs meet rigorous standards for teacher preparation.

The Kern Teacher Residency program is designed to recruit and retain outstanding teachers and helps considerably with the significant teacher shortage in its affected regions.

Data shows that residency preparation results in teachers who are better prepared and more likely to be retained in the district. Academic achievements of students who have teachers prepared in residency models are higher than those with teachers in other models.

A residency model of teacher preparation includes: Residents participating in a year-long co-teaching experience with outstanding Mentor Teachers in the district; residents and Mentor Teachers are jointly selected by university faculty and district administrators and Residents are provided tuition support and living stipends and Residents complete their credential program coursework at the district site as a cohort and coursework is co-taught by university faculty and district instructional specialists to ensure alignment and authenticity.

For more information, please visit kernteacherresidency.net.

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California State University, Bakersfield is a comprehensive public university committed to offering excellent undergraduate and graduate programs that advance the intellectual and personal development of its students. An emphasis on student learning is enhanced by a commitment to scholarship, diversity, service, global awareness and life-long learning. The University collaborates with partners in the community to increase the region's overall educational attainment, enhance its quality of life, and support its economic development. The University was founded in 1965 and opened for classes in fall, 1970. Its vision is to be the leading campus in the CSU system in terms of faculty and academic excellence and diversity, quality of the student experience and community engagement. The University's faculty is world-class, with nearly 75% holding the highest degrees in their respective fields.

The University serves more than 10,000 students between the main campus in Bakersfield and CSUB Antelope Valley and counts more than 50,000 alumni from its four schools: Arts and Humanities; Business and Public Administration; Natural Sciences, Mathematics and Engineering; and Social Sciences and Education. The University offers undergraduate, graduate, and post-graduate and credential programs, and a Doctoral Program in Educational Leadership (Ed.D). CSUB's Extended Education and Global Outreach serves the community by offering additional professional development, certificate, and degree programs.

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