



Thinking of applying to
Teacherpreneur?
Find important information about
the program and application
process below!

What is Teacherpreneur?

Teacherpreneur is a unique cohort experience designed to harness educator innovation and provide professional learning to activate ideas that solve problems on a systemic level. This program is specifically intended to help teachers design prototypes that disrupt educational inequities that are ready to be tested as pilot programs.

What kind of teachers should apply?

The Teacherpreneur application is open to any MNPS or charter school certificated non-administrative staff (teachers, librarians, counselors, etc.).

Does my idea have to be fully developed?

No! We are looking for teachers who have identified a problem and possible solutions but who want a structured, supportive experience to build their ideas out into a prototype that is ready to be tested. Many previous participants did not come into the experience with a developed idea!

What should I expect out of the cohort experience?

A cohort of educators will be selected to participate in several facilitated design sessions and office hours for additional support beginning in December and concluding in early March. Through this, participants will develop their ideas for addressing an inequity into a prototype that could be implemented and tested as a pilot. At the end of the cohort experience, educators will participate in a prototype pitch event in front of a judging panel.

What will the prototype pitch event be like?

Participants will present their prototypes at a pitch event in front of a judging panel, who will select a three winning concepts. Educators presenting the top concepts will be awarded a total of \$25,000 in cash prizes and be granted access to seed funding to implement their idea.

What happens if my idea is selected?

Select prototypes will receive seed funding to take the concept into the testing phase. The prototype will be implemented using the awarded seed funding depending on the nature and needs of the concept.

What is the time commitment?

Teacherpreneur sessions will take place from 5:00 - 7:30 on 12/8/22, 1/12/23, 1/19/23, 12/4/23, and 2/16/23, with additional office hours held virtually. The pitch event will take place in early March.

Please visit www.nashvillepef.org/teacherpreneur or email colleen.gilligan@nashvillepef.org for more information.



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