MEMORANDUM

To: Superintendents, Principals, and Educator Preparation Program Leaders

From: Dr. Andrew Melin, Chief Innovation Officer
Scott Bogan, Director of Higher Education and Education Preparation Programs

Date: June 21, 2019

Re: House Enrolled Act 1009 – Teacher Residency Grant Pilot Program

Background:

Per House Enrolled Act (HEA) 1009, the Commission for Higher Education (CHE) will administer funds allocated for school corporations or charter schools partnered with a post-secondary institution in the development and implementation of a teacher residency program. HEA 1009 allocates $1,000,000 for the 2019 – 2020 academic year, and no funds for 2020 – 2021.

Guidance:

CHE will develop an application process for interested schools and charter schools. Applicants must submit a teacher residency plan and any other items required by CHE. Allocated funds may be used to provide stipends to participants, mentor teachers, and to help defray post-secondary administrative costs.

Additionally, CHE will provide technical assistance and provide an annual report by July 1 of each year. The report will include information regarding participating schools:

- Annual retention rate of employed teachers who completed the residency program within the preceding five years, including the number who received annual evaluation ratings of highly effective, effective, improvement necessary, or ineffective; and
- Number of program completers not employed, and the number of teachers who completed a teacher residency program in the preceding five years and took leadership roles (defined by CHE) during employment in a school or charter school in Indiana.

CHE will issue guidance on this pilot program later this summer.

If you have questions for CHE, please contact Josh Garrison at 317-234-8232 or email at jgarrison@che.in.gov. If you have any questions for the Indiana Department of Education, please contact Scott Bogan at 317-232-9178 or e-mail at sbogan@doe.in.gov.

This bill was authored by Representative Dale DeVon. The full bill text can be found here. Information regarding how to contact your legislators can be found here.