



Dear Administrator,

The Master Teacher of Economics (MTE) program is designed for middle and high school teachers to increase their economic understanding. This improves teachers' abilities to bring economics to their students in stand-alone economics courses or to integrate economics as a strand within social studies and business curriculums. This program is offered as a collaboration between the Mississippi State Extension Center for Economic Education and Financial Literacy, the Mississippi Council on Economic Education (MCEE) and the Mississippi Department of Education (MDE). MDE confers the "Master Teacher of Economics" designation. The MTE is a State certificate program and secondary social studies, business and marketing teachers can earn the "193" economics endorsement by completing the MTE. (Please note this designation is **not a degree.**)

Applicant and Employer understand that acceptance to this program constitutes an "in-kind" grant of approximately \$2,000 per teacher. Though no payment to MCEE will be made (the Council and its sponsors cover the cost of the instruction, materials and CEUs) the Applicant and Employer understand that the Applicant's full participation in the program is equivalent to a grant requirement.

Teachers of a one semester Economics class who successfully complete the program and implement the material in their classroom will receive a \$1,000 stipend (principal must certify by signing a principal certification form that will be provided to you upon completion). Teachers of subjects other than a one semester course in Economics who successfully complete the program will receive a \$500 stipend.

Since such significant resources are invested for teachers to attend the MTE program at no cost MCEE is now implementing a policy to collect credit card billing information upon teacher registration to recoup the cost of the materials (\$250) in the event that a teacher does not complete the program. Sponsors are making an investment in each teacher and it is important that they receive a positive return. This occurs when a teacher completes the program and implements what they learned in their classroom.

If teachers complete the program, the card will never be charged. However, teachers that do not complete the program by the designated end date will be charged \$250 and dropped from the program.

The end date for the Spring 2021 program is May 15, 2021.

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PRINCIPAL

I certify my support of this teacher’s participation in the Master Teacher of Economics Program and support the incorporation of economics and financial literacy in their classroom using the provided curriculum, to include student participation in at least one online Economics Challenge during the upcoming school year. More info on the Economics Challenge at <https://mscee.org/programs>.

Principal Name (signature)

Date

Principal Name (printed)

TEACHER

I understand the requirements of this program and commit to implementing economic and financial literacy education into my classroom using the provided curriculum, to include student participation in at least one online Economics Challenge during the upcoming school year. More info on the Economics Challenge at <https://mscee.org/programs>

Teacher Name (signature)

Date

Teacher Name (printed)

Send completed form to the MS Council on Economic Education by scanning and emailing to mscee@millsaps.edu.

NO ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES.

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