



## BTAP Inquiry Form

If you are interested in participating in BTAP, please detach and fill in the required information.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Current College or University: \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

# Of Completed College Hours: \_\_\_\_\_

Declared Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Education Certification Desired? \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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ESPAÑOL

ENGLISH

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## BTAP

### Bilingual Teacher Assistant Program

FORT WORTH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT



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- **Do you want to make a difference in the community?**
- **Do you enjoy learning?**
- **Are you interested in becoming a high-needs, bilingual/ESL teacher?**

If the answer is yes, consider working in the Bilingual Teacher Assistant Program (BTAP) while completing your degree.

### **What are the benefits of joining BTAP?**

- Gain classroom experience while completing your degree,
- Earn up to \$2,500 in stipends in addition to \$10 hourly pay,
- Work 15-20 hours per week,
- Become a highly sought applicant with the Fort Worth ISD after graduation,
- Receive monthly educational enriching trainings and
- Meet and learn from other bilingual/ESL education students from area universities.

### **Goal of BTAP**

The goal of the Bilingual Teacher Assistant Program is to increase the number of high needs teachers in the Fort Worth ISD by encouraging bilingual individuals to pursue and acquire:

- Teaching credentials in elementary bilingual education, or
- A secondary level teaching credential in a critical needs area with an ESL endorsement.

### **Eligibility Criteria**

BTAP applicants must:

- Have a college/university GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- Have a high school GPA of 3.5 or higher
- Must have 48 college hours completed or be able to enroll in a district given mini-course (offered in summer) to be able to attain a Teacher Assistant Certification, Level III
- Be enrolled at a college or university for at least 6 degree earning hours at the time of placement,
- Have oral and written proficiency in Spanish and English as assessed by the Fort Worth ISD,
- Commit to work for the Fort Worth ISD upon graduation.

## **What BTAP students are saying...**

I enjoyed being part of this program because it actually teaches you and gives you real world application. It completely prepares you for the future and I whole-heartedly took pleasure in being a part of this program geared to help the Latino community.

*– Melissa Torres, Texas Wesleyan University Graduate '09, teaching at McLean Middle School Language Center*

I am truly so grateful for this program. Thank you for the guidance, help & support. I can honestly say that being a BTAP made me a better teacher. This program has provided me with cooperating teachers who are true mentors to me. I am very grateful for this experience which has helped me prepare for my career as a teacher and as an adult in the "real" world!

*– Vera Perales, Texas Christian University Graduate '09, teaching at M.G. Ellis Primary School*

The people here at BTAP make me feel welcome and comfortable enough to be myself; the experience is something that couldn't be replaced with even the highest or best education.

*– Yvonne Garcia, Texas Christian University Graduate '08, teaching at Glen Park Elementary School*

This program gave the opportunity to see what a real teacher is. As a BTAP student I learned so many things, including teaching techniques, classroom management, organization skills and the most important of all to inspire students to learn.

*– Teresa Valdez, University of Texas at Arlington Graduate '09, teaching at D. McRae Elementary School*