



APPLY NOW! New REACH MS Cohort Opportunity!

Good morning!

REACH MS is excited to announce the opportunity for schools and districts to participate in a NEW P-12 cohort! Five years of additional funding has been awarded to continue some of the past efforts of REACH MS and to begin new efforts. In this new cohort that begins January 2022, REACH MS will continue to provide behavioral and academic support to schools and districts via Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) and Universal Design for Learning (UDL). A new focus area has been added under the behavior umbrella - Social Emotional Learning (SEL). The upcoming cohort will provide a more comprehensive approach to MTSS from a new design to the support provided. Potential cohort participants will complete an application and a needs assessment, and REACH MS will provide support in the areas of need. This means that selected cohort participants will participate in 2 of our 3 focus areas, based on the needs assessment. Additionally, REACH MS will provide one point of contact for each cohort school/district so that all efforts can be streamlined across the school and district. This new design will be school-wide, spanning all grade levels and populations. Selected cohort participants with pre-k and/or serving students with low-incidence disabilities will receive additional support for those populations. In this new cohort, more focused efforts at the district level will also be provided. REACH MS will offer the following types of support: training, coaching, planning, and small stipends.

Eligibility

Schools in Mississippi are invited to apply. In order to be eligible for these cohorts, a majority of the schools in your district must apply.

Application Requirements

Each school must complete an application and a needs assessment. In addition, each district must submit an application and a checklist (just one, regardless of the number of schools applying). We created a checklist to help you keep track of the required steps.

[REACH MS 2022-2024 Application](#)

[REACH MS 2022-2024 Needs Assessment](#)

Deadline

The final day for submission is **Friday, October 22nd**.

Selection Announcement

REACH MS plans to make selection announcements during the first week of December 2021.

Video Recording

REACH MS has recorded a video that explains our new cohort and application process for you as well.

[REACH MS 2022-2024 Cohort Application Video](#)

Attachments

We have attached 3 documents to aid you in your submission.

1. [Application PDF](#) – Feel free to save/use so that you will have all the necessary information to complete the application before you click on the link.
2. [Needs Assessment PDF](#) – Feel free to save/use so that you will have all the necessary information to complete the needs assessment before you click on the link.
3. [Submission Checklist](#) – Feel free to save/use so that you can make sure you have completed all the submission requirements.

The staff at REACH MS are looking forward to supporting past cohort schools and districts in new ways and making relationships with brand new cohort schools and districts! If you have questions about the cohort or the application process, please reach out to us at reachms@usm.edu

Sincerely,

The REACH MS Team