



Transforming Mathematics Classrooms Through Number Talks: A Leadership Academy

Letters of Commitment

Thank you for your interest in writing a Letter of Commitment to support the participation of mathematics educators in this project!

The Letter of Commitment should be addressed to MEC and include the following information:

- Name of district, school, individual, or other entity committing to financially support the participant(s),
- Name and contact information for contact person of supporting entity,
- Number of participant(s) committing support for,
- Statement of commitment to pay MEC \$375 per participant per year (for three years) plus pay for travel and stipends (if needed) for 4 days of professional development each summer, and stipends for four 2-hour webinars each school year (*note: We don't yet know the location of the summer professional development days as that will be determined based upon committed participants. MEC will make every effort to minimize travel*).
- For each participant:
 - Grade level / role of participant,
 - Estimated number and grade level of students impacted by participation,
 - Free and Reduced Lunch percentage for participant's school(s),
 - *Note: To meet the requirements of the College Spark grant we are pursuing, our overall target population will need to be at least 50% free and reduced lunch and at least 70% middle school grades. This is an important consideration, but doesn't preclude us from including some participants who fall outside of these categories yet would be eager to participate. MEC will be keeping an eye on the overall percentages as we move forward and confirm participants.*

Finally, while strict commitments for each of the following items are not required, these supports are strongly recommended in order to fully realize the potential of the work participants will be doing through the project and empower that work to be grown and sustained:

- Support the project participant(s) to work with teachers in their schools/districts/regions,
- Support classroom teachers and coaches who project participants are mentoring/collaborating with to attend a 2-day Number Talk Institute along with project participants throughout the 3-year span of the project (the cost of an institute for a non-project participant will be between \$250 and \$300).

MEC needs to receive Letters of Commitment by December 16, 2016.

Please email Letters of Commitment, and refer all questions, to debbieo@mec-math.org