# Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education 

## First-Year Teacher Survey, 2007

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## "Good News"

- Both Teacher and Principal Ratings are quite positive about Preparation
- Linkages from DESE core data and web survey applications worked well and can be improved
- Response rates for web survey were comparatively high:
- Teachers 60\%
- Principals 50\%


## "Good or Very Good" Teachers 84\% --- Principals 80\%

Percent Rating of Quality of Teacher Preparation Programs, DESE First-Year Teacher Survey, 2007


## Overview

- Background
- Source of Items
- Methods
- Reports (descriptive statistics) -- CDs
- Statewide frequency reports
- Institution specific frequency reports ( $n>5$ )
- Statewide cross-tabulations reports
- Review 2007 Results
- Discussion
- Future directions
- Review of questions
- Additional analyses


## Background—ltems

- Missouri Standards for Teacher Education Standards (MoSTEPS)
- Teacher and Principal Items not aligned as well as possible but quite similar
- May desire additional items (mentoring)


## Background--Methods

- $100 \%$ of Missouri first-year teachers contacted by letter and email (@5,150)
- First-year teachers defined by DESE Core Data
- Survey is confidential but not anonymous (security)
- Principal survey specifically referenced individual first-year teachers
- Principal responses were limited to no more than six first-year teachers (if >6, randomly selected from Mo.)


## Background--Methods

- Communications included individual letter from the Commissioner and email followup until over 50\% response rate achieved
- Gathered as late in the year as possible April-May 2007
- Relatively short survey with easy responses formats - related to response
- Characteristics in Core Data
- Short open-ended question possible in 2008


## Reports and CD

- Statewide frequency reports for teacher and principal surveys
- Institution specific frequency reports for teacher and principal surveys ( $n>5$ )
- Selected statewide cross tabulations for teacher and principal surveys
- Additional reports possible in March


## Review 2007 Results Teachers 84\% --- Principals 80\%

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## Factor Analysis of Teacher Survey Suggest Five Survey Dimensions

## Dimension

## Teacher <br> Questions

- Overall Rating20
- Institution specific customized questions
- Additional certifications
- More specific categories (as N allows)
- Teaching outside Initial certification - additional cert.
- Professional development
- Continuing education
- Classroom Management
- Assessment For Learning
- Subject Mastery
- Planning for Teaching 4
- Teaching

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## Subject Level Mastery -- Teachers

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| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Having a thorough knowledge <br> of the subjects that I teach. | $72 \%$ |  |

## Planning for Teaching -- Teachers

| 5 | Understanding how students learn and <br> develop. | $75 \%$ |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
| 6 | Understanding how students differ in their <br> approaches to learning. | $76 \%$ |
| 7 | Designing lessons that address different <br> learning styles. | $69 \%$ |
| 8 | Delivering lessons that work well for <br> different learning styles. | $66 \%$ |
| 9 | Planning lessons based on curriculum goals <br> and performance standards. | $68 \%$ |
| 10 | Facilitating higher levels of learning by <br> employing a variety of instructional <br> strategies | $71 \%$ |

## Teaching -- Teachers

| 11 | Creating a classroom learning environment <br> that encourages student engagement. | $75 \%$ |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
| 12 | Using communication skills to effectively <br> foster learning. | $76 \%$ |
| 13 | Using assessments effectively to evaluate <br> student academic achievement. | $66 \%$ |
| 14 | Using professional instructional practices. | $77 \%$ |
| 15 | Using ethical instructional practices. | $81 \%$ |
| 16 | Fostering continuous professional <br> development. | $76 \%$ |
| 17 | Interacting effectively with colleagues, <br> parents and other members of my learning <br> community. | $74 \%$ |

## Technology -- Teachers

| 18 | Using technology to enhance my personal <br> productivity. | $67 \%$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 19 | Using technology effectively as part of my <br> instructional strategies. | $63 \%$ |

## Subject Level Mastery -- Principals

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| 1 | Using knowledge in the subject(s) that <br> s/he teaches. | $75 \%$ |

## Planning for Teaching -- Principals

| 2 | Understanding of theories about how <br> students learn. | $63 \%$ |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
| 3 | Understanding of theories about how <br> students develop. | $61 \%$ |
| 4 | Designing lessons that address a <br> variety of learning styles. | $56 \%$ |
| 5 | Designing lessons aligned to <br> curriculum goals and performance <br> standards. | $69 \%$ |

## Teaching -- Principals

| 6 | Using effective instructional strategies to <br> attain high levels of learning. | $64 \%$ |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
| 7 | Creating an environment that encourages <br> active student engagement. | $70 \%$ |
| 8 | Using effective communication skills. | $71 \%$ |
| 9 | Using assessments effectively to evaluate <br> student academic achievement. | $61 \%$ |
| 10 | Demonstrating knowledge of ethical <br> professional practices. | $77 \%$ |
| 11 | Striving for continuous professional growth. | $76 \%$ |
| 12 | Interacting effectively with colleagues to <br> support student learning. | $76 \%$ |

## Technology -- Principals



## Selected Cross-Tabulations

- Percent Free and Reduced Lunch
- District Geographic Locale
- District Enrollment Size
- Recent Completer
- In or Out of State Educational Program
- Public or Private Institution
- District Accreditation Status
- Others .....


## Cross Tabulation Factors

|  | Principals |  |  | Teachers |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| FR Lunch | N | Pct | N | Pct |
| Less Than $\mathbf{2 5 \%}$ | 323 | 17.9 | 572 | 18.4 |
| $\mathbf{2 5 \%}$ to $\mathbf{4 9 \%}$ | 901 | 50.1 | 1,455 | 46.8 |
| $\mathbf{5 0 \%}$ or More | 576 | 32.0 | 1,083 | 34.8 |
| Totals | 1,800 | 100.0 | 3,110 | 100.0 |

## Cross Tabulation Factors Principals

## Teachers

Geographic Location
N Pct
N
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Large City } & 127 & 7.1 & 236 & 7.7\end{array}$
Mid-Size City
165
9.3

280
9.1
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Fringe Large City } & 510 & 28.6 & 906 & 29.4\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Fringe Mid-Size City } & 79 & 4.4 & 144 & 4.7\end{array}$

| Town | 302 | 16.9 | 519 | 16.9 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Rural Areas | 601 | 33.7 | 993 | 32.3 |
| Totals | 1,784 | 100.0 | 3,078 | 100.0 |

## Cross Tabulation Factors

Principals

Teachers

District Enrollment Size

N Pct
N
Pct

| 400 or Less | 206 | 11.4 | 300 | 9.7 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $\mathbf{8 0 1 - 2 0 0 0}$ | 318 | 17.7 | 514 | 16.5 |
| $\mathbf{2 0 0 1 - 6 0 0 0}$ | 534 | 29.7 | 986 | 31.7 |
| $\mathbf{6 0 0 0}$ or More | 550 | 30.6 | 1,015 | 32.6 |
| Totals | 1,800 | 100.0 | 3,110 | 100.0 |

## Cross Tabulation Factors

Principals<br>Teachers<br>Recent Completer<br>N Pct<br>N<br>Pct

| Before 2006 | 420 | 43.2 | 1,344 | 51.8 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Since 2006 | 552 | 56.8 | 1,250 | 48.2 |
| Totals | 972 | 100 | 2,594 | 100 |

## Cross Tabulation Factors

|  | Principals |  | Teachers |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| In or Out of State Program | N | Pct | N | Pct |
| In State | 1,121 | 96.3 | 2,433 | 78.6 |
| Out of State | 43 | 3.7 | 662 | 21.4 |
| Totals | 1,164 | 100 | 3,095 | 100 |

## Cross Tabulation Factors

Type of Program Non-Missouri
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { Private } & 368 & 31.5\end{array}$

Principals
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { Public } & 679 & 58.4 & 1,439\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { Totals } & 1,165 & 100.0 & 3,112\end{array}$
Teachers
N Pct
11810.1

871
N
Pct
28.0
25.8
46.2
100.0

## Cross Tabulation Factors

Principals

## District <br> N Pct <br> Pct

Teachers

Accreditation
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Accredited } & 1,671 & 94.2 & 2,897 & 94.7\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Provisional } & 103 & 5.8 & 163 & 5.3\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Totals } & 1,774 & 100.0 & 3,060 & 100.0\end{array}$

## Rating of Quality of Teacher Preparation

## Teachers \#20 Principals \#14

- Good or Very Good 84\%
- Good or Very Good 80\%
- FRL
- FRL
- Size
- Type of Program
- Accreditation Status
- Recent Completer
- In-Out of State
- Accreditation Status
- Size

T20 what overall rating would you give the quality of your professional education preparation program?


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What is your overall rating of the teacher's preparation?


P14
What is your overall rating of the teacher's preparation?


What is your overall rating of the teacher's preparation?

| $\square$ Poor or Very Poor $\quad \square$ Fair $\quad \square$ Good $\quad \square$ Very Good |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |



Program type

What is your overall rating of the teacher's preparation?


## Knowledge of Subjects Taught

Teachers \#4

- Good or Very Good
$72 \%$
- FRL
- Locale
- Size

Principals \#1

- Good or Very Good

75\%

- Size
- FRL
- Recent Completer
- Accreditation Status

T4 Having a thorough knowledge of the subjects that I teach.
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Using knowledge in the subject(s) that $\mathbf{s} /$ he teaches.


P1
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## Addressing Different Learning Styles

Teachers \#7
Principals \#4

- Good or Very Good 69\%
- FRL
- Recent Completers
- Accreditation Status
- Good or Very Good 56\%
- FRL
- Type of Program
- Accreditation Status

T7 Designing lessons that address different learning styles.


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P4 Designing lessons that address a variety of learning styles.


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Program type

P4 Designing lessons that address a variety of learning styles.


## Creating Engaging Learning Environment

Teachers \#11 Principals \#7

- Good or Very Good 75\%
- FRL
- Locale
- Size
- Good or Very Good 70\%
- Size
- FRL
- Type of Program
- Accreditation Status

T11 Creating a classroom learning environment that encourages student engagement.


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## Program Type

Creating an environment that encourages active student engagement.


Creating an environment that encourages active student engagement.

## $\square$ Not or Inadequately Prepared <br> $\square$ Well Prepared



Enrollment Category

Creating an environment that encourages active student engagement.


## Using Assessments Effectively

Teachers \#13

- Good or Very Good 66\%
- FRL
- Size
- In-Out State

Principals \#9

- Good or Very Good

61\%

- FRL
- Size
- Accreditation Status

Using assessments effectively to evaluate student academic achievement.


Using assessments effectively to evaluate student academic achievement.


T13 Using assessments effectively to evaluate student academic achievement.


Using assessments effectively to evaluate student achievement.


Using assessments effectively to evaluate student achievement.


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## Discussion

- General Questions
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