

## MASTER TEACHER PROGRAM INTRODUCTION

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Dear Educator,

The purpose of this letter is to invite you to apply for the "Master Teacher" designation offered by the Ohio Department of Education. Attached is a description of the 4-tier Ohio teacher licensure levels. This voluntary recognition program is being offered to teachers with seven years experience or National Board certification. After reading the following information, we sincerely hope you will consider submitting your application for this program by March 10, 2011.

Applications will be reviewed and scored by a committee, who will notify you of your status. The committee will evaluate each application based on the rubrics established by the Ohio Department of Education. The application process requires the following steps:

- Complete the one page master teaching application and email your intent to participate to Pam Tone at [pamela.tone@warrencountyesc.com](mailto:pamela.tone@warrencountyesc.com) by February 4, 2011.
- Write narratives related to the program's five established criteria and based on consortium guidelines.
- Provide evidence that supports the narratives.

*(National Board Certified teachers only need to submit intent, complete the one page application and provide documentation of their NBTPS certification.)*

The names of the applicants who meet the criteria will be reported to each superintendent at the conclusion of the process. Those applications that do not meet the criteria will be returned directly to the teacher with the scoring sheets and suggestions for resubmission.

If you are interested in participating, or if you would like more information please contact your district contact or his/her designee. Also, you can visit: <http://ode.state.oh.us> (Keyword: master teacher). We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity to gain the recognition you deserve.

Best regards,

(Contact Name)