

**Project MERIT: Mathematics Education Reform Initiative for Teachers
MERIT Teacher Application 2003 - 2004
West Virginia Middle School Mathematics Curriculum**

Participants in the MERIT Regional Workshops **must be teaching mathematics to 6th, 7th, and/or 8th grade** students. Applications must be signed by the building principal and the county superintendent. (See **Assurances page on back.**)

Complete this form as formal application to become a MERIT Teacher for Project MERIT: (Please Print)

1. **Mr./Mrs./Ms./Dr.** _____

Last
First
Initial

2. **E-mail:** _____ **County:** _____ **RESA** _____

3. **School Name:** _____ **Grade Level(s) Teaching Math** _____
Circle one grade level for training: 6 7 8
Phone: _____ **Are you applying as part of a team?** _____
List team member(s) _____
Name(s) of MERIT Mentor Teacher(s) in your school: _____

4. **Residential Address:** _____ **Phone:** _____

5. **Do you have any special physical or dietary requirements of which the planning committee needs to be aware?** _____ **If so, please indicate:** _____

Please indicate the professional development session you will be attending (*tentative dates are listed*):

___RESA I July 28 - 31	___RESA V July 28 – Aug 1
___RESA II June 16 - 20	___RESA VI Individual County Plans August 11 – 14 (Ohio County)
___RESA III Individual County Plans July 21 – 25 (Putnam/Boone) August 4 – 8 (Kanawha/Clay)	___RESA VII Individual County Plans June 11 – 13, 19 (Harrison Co) June 16 – 18 (Randolph Co.) August (Marion Co)
___RESA IV Individual County Plans	___RESA VIII Individual County Plans

INCENTIVES

- Three Standards-Based *MathScape* Teacher Guides
- Performance Based Assessments aligned with New CSOs & New State Assessment
- Intensive Job-embedded Professional Development
- Specific Examples to Implement Reading and Writing in Mathematics
- Network with other Middle Level Mathematics Teachers in WV
- Experience working in a Collegial Professional Learning Community
- Graduate credit opportunities

COMMITMENTS

See back for 'assurances.'

(OVER)

ASSURANCES

Applicant's Name: _____

School: _____ County: _____

TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT:

1. I agree, as a MERIT Teacher, to commit to receiving 9 days of professional development beginning summer 2003 and ending May 2004. (Most sessions will be held in the summer or on non-school days and depend on the plan developed in each county and/or RESA.)
2. I agree to use *MathScape* instructional materials in my classroom (one unit in fall, one in winter and one in spring) during the 2003-2004 school year.
3. I will continue the second year of MERIT training (9 days) and full implementation of the standards-based curriculum, *MathScape*, during the 2004-2005 school year.

Applicant's Signature

Date

TO BE COMPLETED BY PRINCIPAL OR IMMEDIATE SUPERVISOR:

4. I agree to release the above applicant to fulfill the requirements stated above.
5. I agree to attend one 1-day Administrator-s Workshop and/or Planning Meeting for Project MERIT.
6. I agree to support school wide mathematics reform using *MathScape*.

Principal's Signature

Date

TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERINTENDENT:

7. I agree to release the above applicant to fulfill the requirements stated above.
8. I agree to attend one 1-day Administrator's Workshop and/or Planning Meeting for Project MERIT.
9. I agree to support countywide mathematics reform.

Superintendent's Signature

Date

Original, Signed Application MUST BE RECEIVED in the MERIT office before materials will be distributed. Institutes will be filled on a first come, first served basis. Some materials may not be immediately available to late applicants.

Return to:

Project MERIT

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