**Foundations for Primary-2nd and 3rd Grades
Leadership Application**

**What is the *Foundations for Primary- 2nd and 3rd Grades* professional learning experience?**
*Foundations for Primary-2nd and 3rd Grades* cohorts are professional learning communities that grow second and third grade teachers’ understanding of effective ways to scaffold and differentiate instruction to better accommodate student needs via a learning climate that welcomes questions, opinions and participation of all students. Members will focus on how to select instructional tasks that encourage mathematical discourse and help students conceptually understand place value, addition/subtraction, multiplication/division and fractions. Participants receive specialized training from an experienced facilitator featuring evidence-based strategies and materials from experts in early numeracy development.  Community members provide support to each educator as new strategies and methods are utilized in the classroom.

**What are the responsibilities of a *Foundations for Primary- 2nd and 3rd Grades* leader?**
As a leader, you will provide instruction and guidance to groups of up to 15 teachers per cohort.  All course materials and supplies will be provided by the KCM.  Groups meet for two consecutive full-days and three subsequent half-day sessions during the course of an academic year.  Additionally, leaders are expected to provide on-site coaching visits for participating teachers. **Groups will begin meeting in February 2018.**

**What are the expectations/requirements for a *Foundations for Primary- 2nd and 3rd Grades* leader?**

* 2+ year KCM community member
* Graduate of KNPI+, MaRTI+, Primary Comprehensive, or Intermediate Comprehensive courses
* Certified teacher
* Facilitation experience (previously facilitated two or more PLEs)
* Good communication skills
* Active listener
* Knowledgeable about content
* Prepared and organized
* Positive attitude with sensitivity to others

**What are the benefits for a *Foundations for Primary- 2nd and 3rd Grades* leader?**

* Opportunities to share knowledge and expertise while improving the culture of math education in and around your school
* Improved abilities to influence others through skilled communication
* $1200 leadership stipend
* Reimbursement for substitutes and training event travel expenses
* Selection of cohort locations and schedule (sessions will begin in February 2018)

**Please send completed responses to Meredith Brewer (brewerm8@nku.edu) by Friday, October 20.** At this time, we are able to support up to 10 leaders.

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1. Why would you like to become a Foundations for Primary-2nd and 3rd Grades leader?
2. Describe a situation in which you have mentored or coached someone to achieve success.
3. What experience do you have working with adult learners?
4. Have teachers in your building or district expressed interest in learning more about mathematics instruction in second and third grades? (KCM will recruit and register participants.)
5. Is your administrator supportive of your participation? As part of the candidate selection process, may we contact your administrator to confirm approval of release time?