

2023-24 & 2024-25 TEACH IN NEBRASKA TODAY PROGRAM GRANT



- 869 grants awarded from 3,964 applications in 2023-24 for a grand total of \$4,345,000.
- 909 grants awarded from 1260 applications in 2024-2025 for a grand total of \$4,545,000.
- 60% have been teaching in Nebraska for at least 4 years.

WHO WERE THE RECIPIENTS?

- 34.13% teach at school in an urban community, 35.31% rural, 27.79 suburban & 2.40% other.
- 79% were females, while 21% were males.
- Average number of grades taught by each teacher = 3.
- 48% are the primary income earner in their household.



HOW WAS THE MONEY SPENT?

- 70.1% used the grant to pay off student loans.
- 40.5% spent all or some on personal expenses.
- 23.1% spent all or some on classroom supplies..
- 16.9% spent some or all on professional development.

WHAT WERE THE IMPACTS?



- 84% indicated experiencing less financial stress.
- 48% were able to avoid incurring additional debt.
- 25% indicated being able to invest in their professional development.
- Many indicated feeling appreciated.



WHAT DID THEY SAY?

- 91.5% prefer having the grant being unrestricted.
- 96.7% of grant recipients surveyed said that they would recommend this grant program to other teachers.
- Respondents called for more similar grants.

WHAT ELSE DID THEY SAY?

- Longer tenured teachers also desire similar grants.
- Teachers expressed a desire for free/reduced cost post-graduate studies.
- Calls for more assistance with students exhibiting behavioral problems and difficult relationships with parents.



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