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## Improving Teacher Quality Grants Announced

The Colorado Department of Higher Education (DHE) announced five recipients of competitive grants for improving teacher quality totaling \$946,917. The grants made from Colorado's 2009-2010 allotment of funds under the Title II-A of the No Child Left Behind Act.

The five recipients were selected by a peer review panel of DHE and Colorado Department of Education staff and an external reviewer from eight proposals submitted. All five grantees will create partnerships with public higher education institutions and teachers at local school districts to enhance teacher effectiveness. DHE staff will provide oversight to ensure grant funds are used in accordance with federal and state regulations.

The recipients are:

- A University of Colorado-Colorado Springs, School of Mines and University of Northern Colorado partnership to enhance the math and science content knowledge and assessment skills of eighty-four teachers in Pueblo School District 60.
- A University of Northern Colorado and Colorado History Museum partnership to provide training and materials to enhance the content knowledge in social studies of fifty social studies teachers from Denver Public Schools using original source readings provided by the museum.
- A Metropolitan State College of Denver, Adams State College and Fort Lewis College partnership to enhance the mathematics content knowledge of ninety teachers from North Conejos, Moffat 2, and Monte Vista C-8 school districts.
- A University of Colorado-Colorado Springs and Troops to Teachers partnership to help twenty three spouses of military personnel currently working as para-educators to become fully licensed teachers. Participating school districts include Edison 54JT, Miami Yoder 60JT, Harrison 2 and Fountain 8.
- A partnership between University of Colorado Denver and La Academia, an alternative teacher certification program, to enhance the mathematics content knowledge and skills of sixty para-educators in Denver Public Schools who are working towards teacher licensure.

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