

Meeting the Needs of the Education Workforce



Wisconsin's Education Workforce Crisis

Data shows that only 50% of first-year teachers stay in Wisconsin or the teaching profession after seven years. Wisconsin has the resources and expertise to address this challenge and ensure students are taught by the highest quality educators.



Expanding Effective Mentoring Programs

As recommended by State Superintendent Dr. Jill Underly, Governor Evers' proposal expands the Peer Review and Mentoring Grant Program, a successful initiative that supports new educators in their first three years. The expanded funding will allow more school districts to participate, helping to retain more teachers in the classroom.



Supporting the Next Generation of Educators

Governor Evers' budget supports Dr. Underly's provision in providing stipends for teacher candidates and future librarians, providing \$2,500 stipends for teacher candidates and future librarians, and \$1,000 stipends for cooperating teachers who mentor student-teachers and library interns, ensuring a strong pipeline of future educators.



Building a Stronger Educator Workforce

To address staffing shortages, Governor Evers' proposal includes Dr. Underly's recommendation to create a "Grow Your Own" grant program, helping districts create career pathways, supporting staff licensure coursework, and promoting student organizations for future educators. It also expands the registered teacher apprenticeship program, offering on-the-job with coursework for prospective teachers.

