

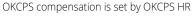
# Teacher Pipeline Program

OKLAHOMA CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOUNDATION

## **Become a Certified Teacher for OKCPS!**

Be part of the movement to create a diverse workforce at Oklahoma City Public Schools and earn a debt-free college degree and teacher certification while you work as a paraprofessional at the same time.









OKCPS compensation is set by OKCPS HR



# "I want to be a teacher."

Melanie Garcia became the first OKCPS alum to begin the student to teacher program after graduating from Northwest Classen High School in May 2022. "I want to be a teacher," said Melanie. "I love the idea of being able to impact children's lives, and I want to make a change in our world!"

Students like Melanie are supported by private funding through the Foundation, which provides a wealth of resources to help them navigate full time jobs, take care of their families and attend college to earn their degrees. Colleges and university partnerships with OSU-OKC, OCCC, Rose State College and UCO also play a key role as these students earn their initial credits at community colleges before matriculating to UCO to complete their degree. All books, tuition and fees are completely covered.

### **How to Participate**

**Complete the Application and Principal Referral** 

www.okckids.com/teacher-pipeline-programs

#### **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- All high school seniors are welcome to apply.
- Must be a new high school graduate (within one year).
- Must be 18 years old by August 1st.
- Have a 2.75 or higher GPA (high school).
- Be hired by OKCPS as a paraprofessional.
- Dedicate at least three years to OKCPS once certified as a teacher.

