ELE – MA ED
Murray State University
Master of Arts in Education and Teacher Leader Endorsement
Teacher Leader Elementary Education – Literacy Concentration
(Grades K-4, P-5, 1-8)
Program Guidesheet

This MA ED degree program is designed to fulfill course requirements for Rank I or Rank II classification. This program does not prepare students for the Literacy Specialist Endorsement. Students interested in adding a Literacy Specialist Endorsement to their certificates should enroll in the MA in Education – Reading and Writing program. This PREPLANNED* program shall consist of 30 semester hours of graduate level course work. For admission, applicants must hold a current/valid Elementary (K-4, P-5, 1-8) Certificate, have a GPA ≥ 3.0 in the prior degree, and meet Murray State University guidelines for admission to graduate school. EDU 600 Introduction to Teacher Leadership must be taken as the first course in the core sequence. At least 21 semester hours must be earned at MSU, and the requirements for the program must be completed within eight years of the time a student initially enrolls in any course applicable to the program. The student’s progress will be continuously assessed throughout the program using established program checkpoints. A minimum grade point average of 3.0 is required for graduation. Students must complete EDU 600 before enrolling in EDU 639; EDU 639 should be completed before enrolling in EDU 640. Exit assessments: Successful completion of capstone and two leadership projects.

Professional Education – Core Courses (15 Hours)

EDU 600 Introduction to Teacher Leadership 2 ____
EDU 631 Classroom Mgmt. and Student Motivation 3 ____
EDU 633 Curriculum Development 3 ____
EDU 637 Instruction for Diverse Learners 3 ____
EDU 639 Research to Improve Student Learning 3 ____
EDU 640 Exit Seminar in Teacher Leadership 1 ____

Literacy Concentration (15 Hours)

REA 612 Foundations of Literacy 3 ____
REA 626 Word Study: Phonics, Spelling and Vocabulary 3 ____
REA 618 Content Area Reading/Writing K-12 3 ____

Literacy electives: Choose six (6) credit hours from the following or other literacy electives approved by advisor:

ELE 602 Integrating Language Arts in the Curriculum 3 ____
REA 624 Kentucky Reading Project 3 ____
(by application only. See http://www.kentuckyliteracy.org/elementary/krp) ENG 604 Purchase Area Writing Project I 3 ____
(by application only. See http://campus.murraystate.edu/pawp/) ENG 605 Purchase Area Writing Project II 3 ____
(by application only. See http://campus.murraystate.edu/pawp/) ELE 616 Research in Children’s Literature 3 ____
LIB 617 Research in Young Adult Literature 3 ____

The student and advisor have discussed this program and agree to the foregoing plan. *During the first nine weeks of the first term, the student should complete the graduate program form and submit it to the specified advisor. The Program form is approved by a graduate advisor and the Collegiate Graduate Coordinator.

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Student’s Signature    Advisor’s Signature     Date