

Have you spent your summer thinking about how you can prepare your students for the new NCLB state assessments in science and mathematics?

What if you had a science or mathematics instructional specialist in your school? Someone who understands the new frameworks well and would be able to help teachers with unit design, learning activities, instructional resources or performance assessments?



The Connecticut State Department of Education, through the federal **Mathematics and Science Partnership Program**, is offering EVERY SCHOOL IN CONNECTICUT the opportunity

to select teachers to participate in university-developed Teacher Leadership Academies for elementary, middle or high school science or mathematics.

If your school can benefit from having a science or mathematics teacher-leader, you may want to partner with other school districts and a university to submit an "MSP" grant proposal. The Request for Proposals will be mailed to superintendents and universities in early September, but you can be ahead of the pack if you start <u>now</u> to...

- Think about which of your teachers would be excited about this leadership opportunity;
- Talk to other principals about forming a partnership to design a Teacher Leadership Academy that meets YOUR schools' needs; and
- Contact a university School of Education or science/math department.

To see the complete description of the MSP grant, in early September check with your superintendent or go to www.state.ct.us/sde and follow the link to "Requests for Proposals".

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