Increasing the quality and diversity of the teaching force in Texas

The Grow Your Own (GYO) grant program aims to elevate the teaching profession in Texas by developing high-quality Education and Training courses at the high school level and by creating grant-funded teacher pipelines to increase the pool and diversity of Texas’ future classroom leaders. With an emphasis on small and rural school districts, this effort addresses challenges Texas currently faces in terms of recruiting and retaining teacher candidates in hard-to-staff areas.

2020-2022 Cycle 3 grant applications will be available on the TEA Grant Opportunities page Sept. 13 – Nov. 15, 2019: https://bit.ly/2MIOHhU

Grow Your Own Pipelines: Choose Your Pathway

**Pathway 1**
Implementing Education and Training Courses in High Schools

**Pathway 2**
Transitioning Paraprofessionals, Aides, & Substitutes to Teaching Roles

**Pathway 3**
Developing Well-Qualified Teacher Candidates

The first and second cohort of grantees are currently implementing programs across the state. Detailed information about the initiative and a full list of grantees can be found at https://tea.texas.gov/Texas_Educators/Educator_Initiatives_and_Performance/Grow_Your_Own/. Questions can be directed to GYOgrant@tea.texas.gov.