

College of Education

First Year Orientation

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Introduction Activity


Directions:

- Pair up with someone you haven't met
- Introduce yourself (name, where you're from, major)
- Talk about what excites you most about becoming a teacher





Introduction to the Teaching Profession

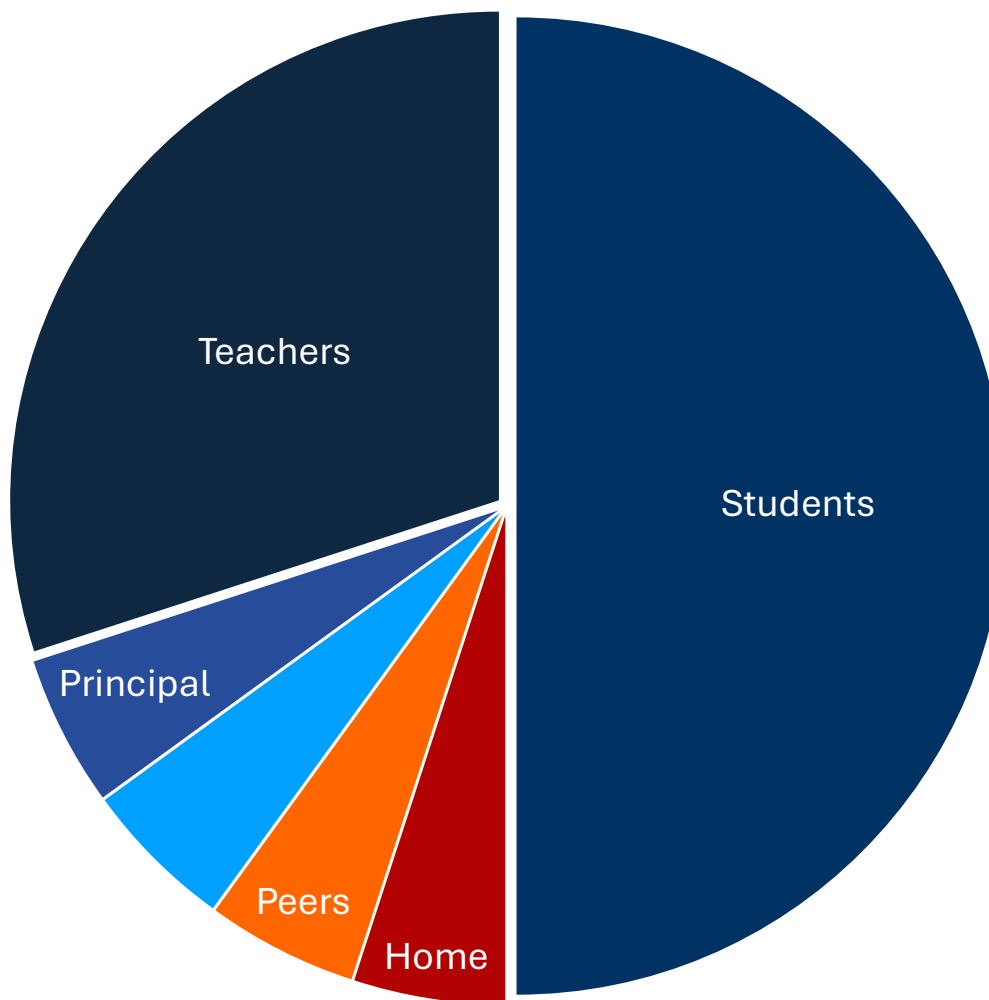


Rank the following influences in order of importance in a student's learning:

- Their Peers
- The School They Attend
- Their Home Environment
- The Principal
- Their Teacher


Identifying what matters.

**Percentage of
Achievement
Variance**





What we instill in our children will be the foundation upon which they build their future.
Steve Maraboli

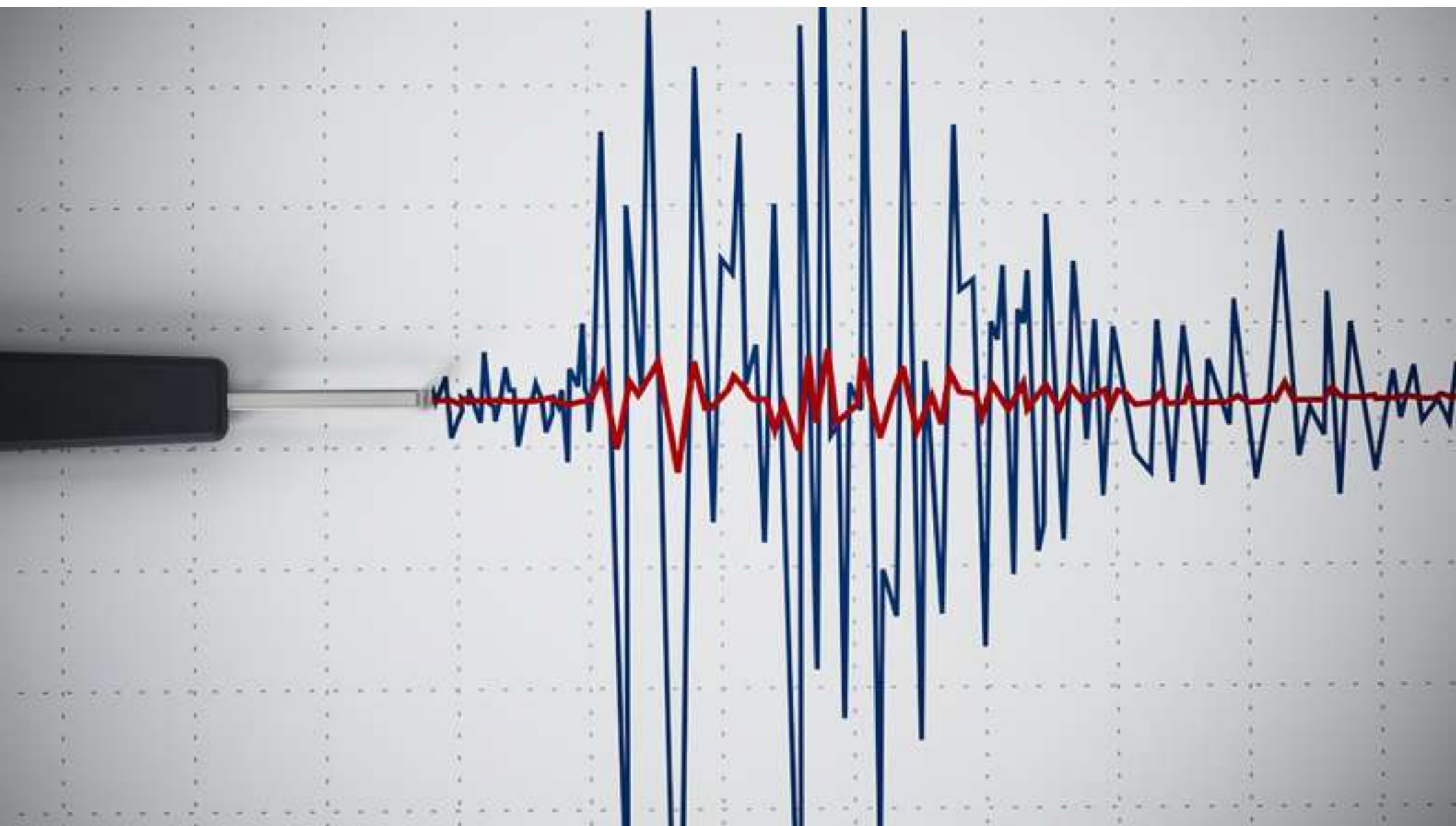
A person with long brown hair, wearing a purple hoodie over a white t-shirt, holds a white rectangular sign with both hands. The sign has a slightly torn, deckled edge. The person's face is partially visible above the sign, and their torso is visible below it. The background is a plain, light gray wall.

Every student deserves
a great teacher, not by
chance, but by design.

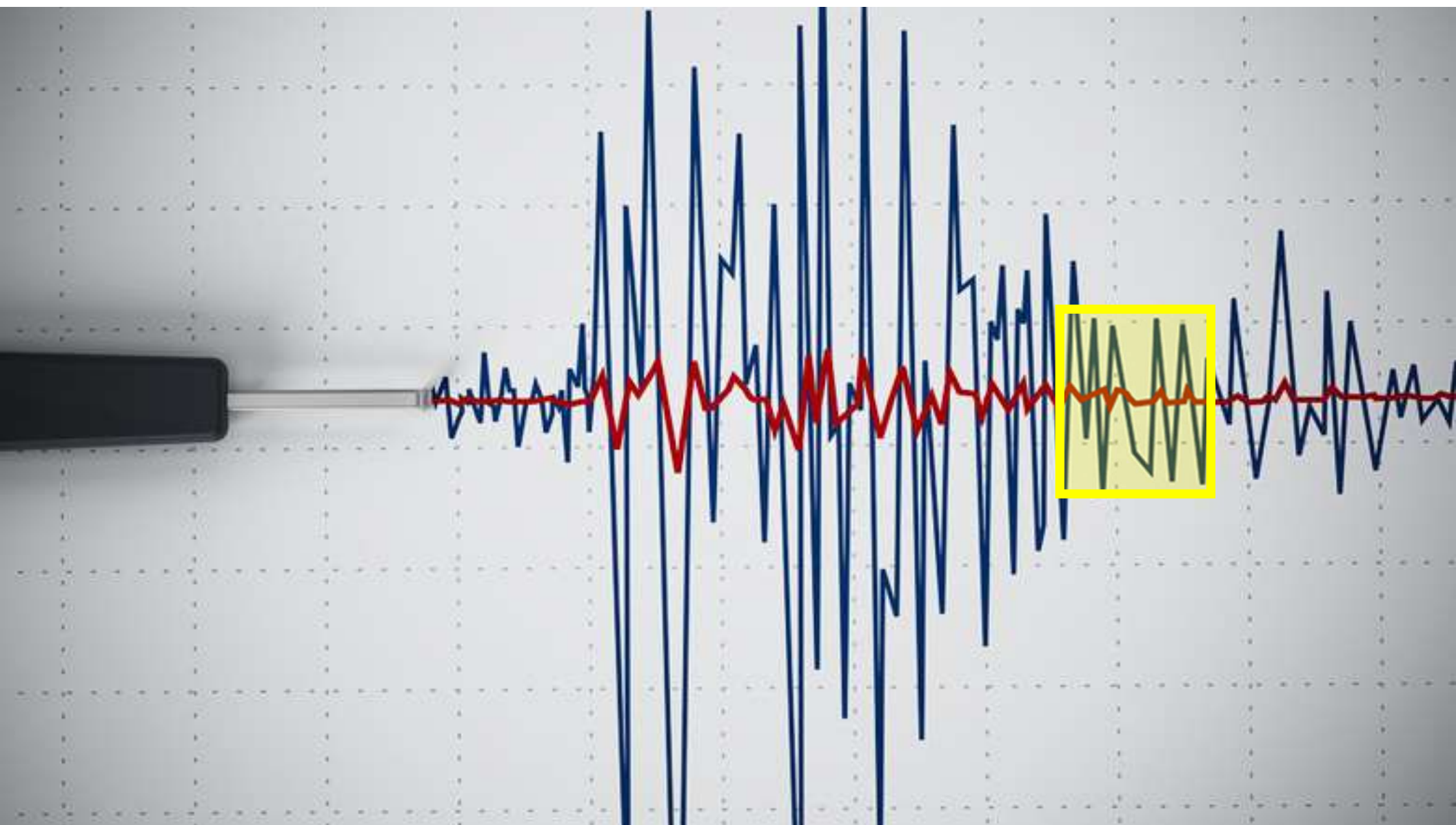
Fisher, Frey, and Hattie, 2016

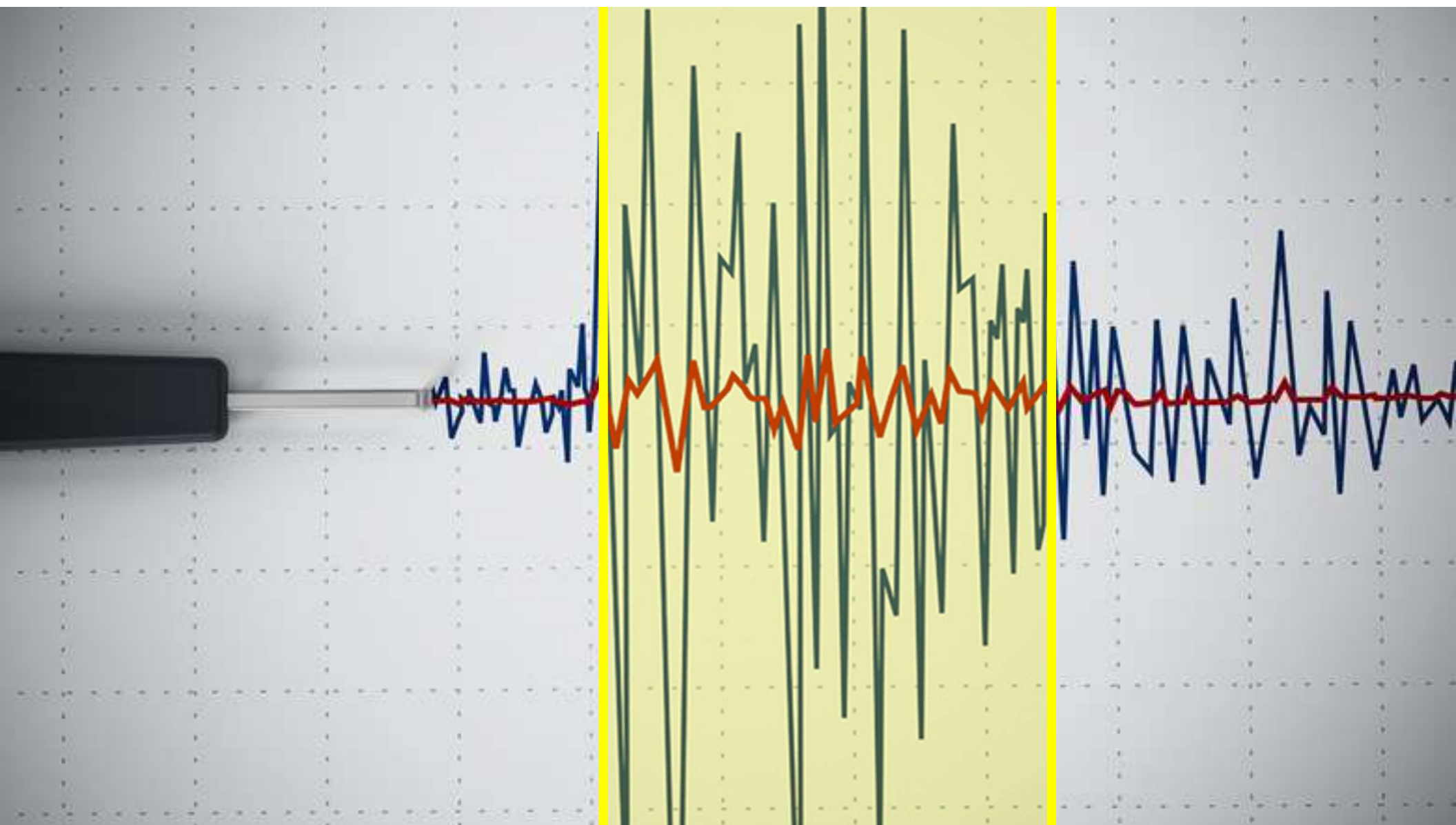


The right approach, at the right time, for the right type of learning.









Dear Parents,

**If you promise not to
believe everything
your child says
happens at school, I
will promise not to
believe everything
they say happens at
homes.**



Teacher: *Where is your book?*

Student: *At home.*

Teacher: *And what is it doing there?*

Student: *Having more fun than me.*





Teacher: *Where is your homework?*

Student: *I lost it fighting this kid who said you were not the best teacher in the school.*



***Some teachers taught the curriculum today.
Other teachers taught students today. There is a
big difference.***

Unknown



Turn and Talk: Why teach?

- What age/grade do you want to teach?
- What subjects do you want to teach?
- Where do you want to teach?
- What inspires you to become a teacher?

The College of Education



What's special about the JMU COE?



**We have been
preparing teachers
since 1908.**



**You acquire skills
and knowledge
from our amazing
faculty members**



**You acquire skills
and knowledge
from many
opportunities in
classrooms,
practicums, and
student teaching**

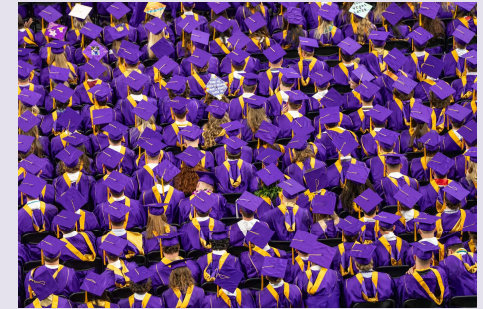
What's special about the JMU COE?



**We strive each day
to stimulate your
creativity, develop
your cognitive
abilities, and
encourage you to
test your
hypotheses**



**JMU COE
graduates have
won local, regional,
and national
teaching awards**

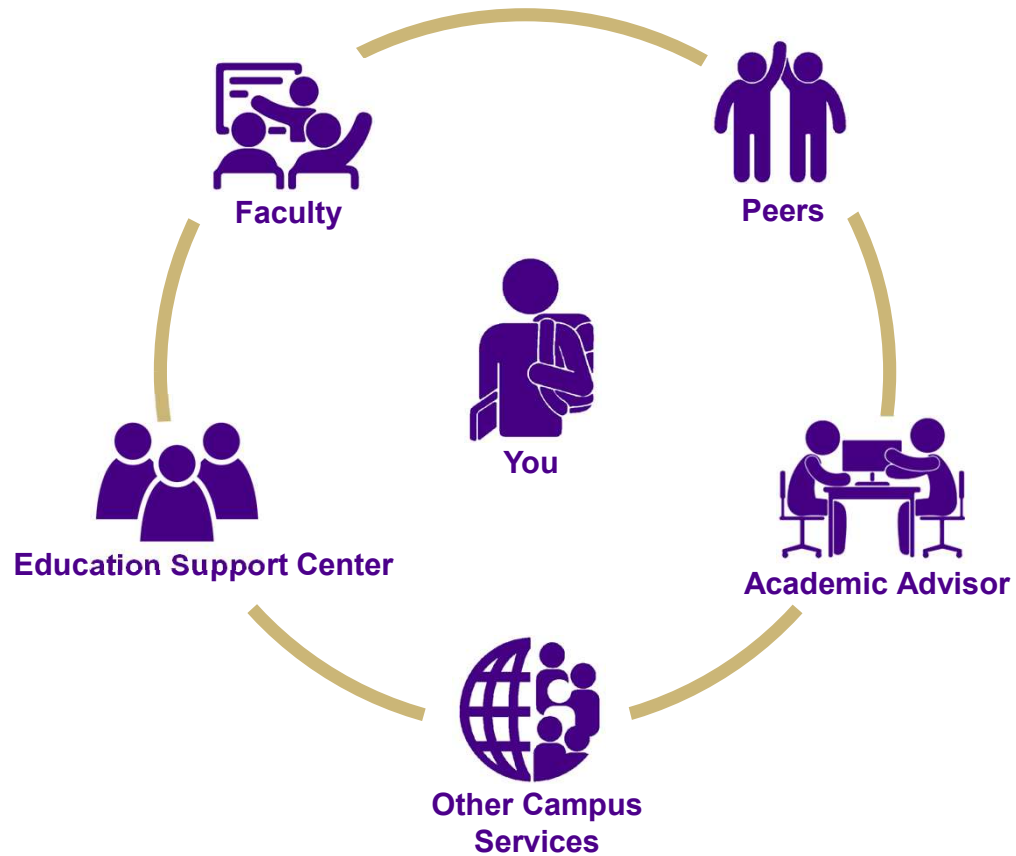


**JMU alum are
sought after by
school divisions!**

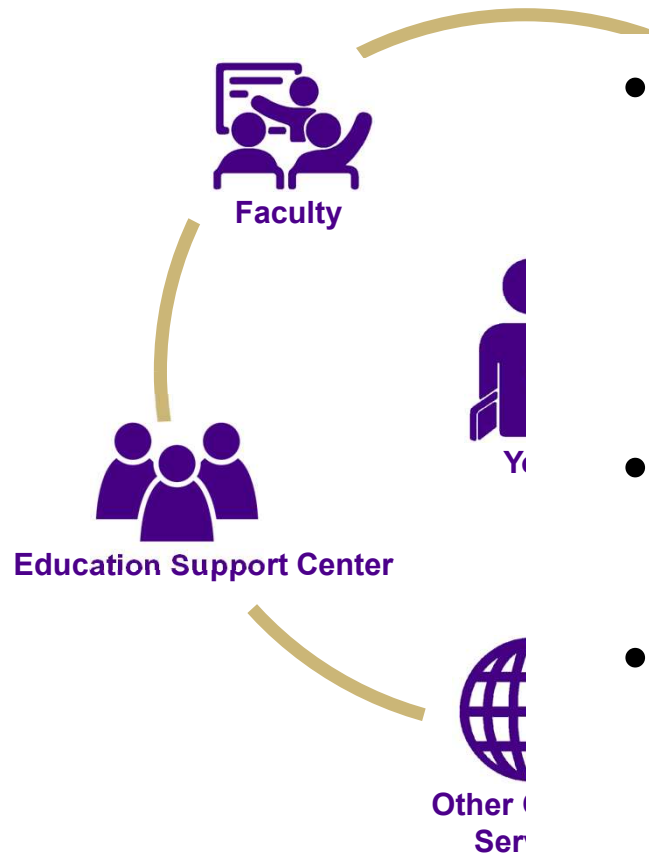
What does success look like as a pre-professional educator?

- High expectations for future teachers
 - Teacher Education GPA requirement
 - Teacher Education Admissions requirements
 - Meeting requirements and applying for student teaching
 - Program completion and licensure
- High performance and dispositions
 - General Education Courses
 - Content Knowledge
 - Pedagogical Knowledge
 - Professional Behavior
 - Clinical Experience

Your success network at JMU



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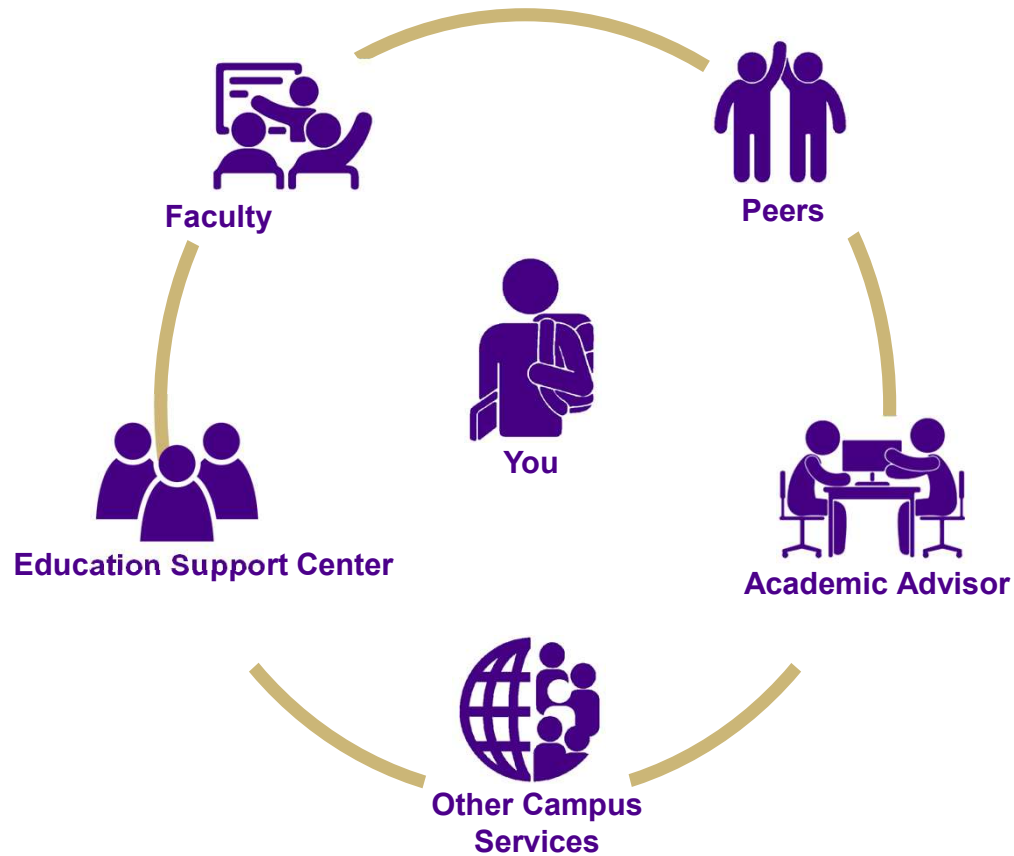
- Tracks your pre-professional requirements for program completion
- Coordinates all field placements
- Provides individualized licensure guidance

Your success network at JMU

- Attend group and individual meetings
- Create an academic plan
- Canvas and email announcements to keep you on track



Your success network at JMU



Hannah

Elementary Education

“Try new things and do not be afraid to explore on your own! You never know what you may learn or who you may meet from a new experience.”



Aysha

Elementary Education

“Don’t be afraid to reach out. I communicated with upperclassmen who helped me a lot, they walked me through academics and personal advice, eventually leading me be successful here at JMU.”



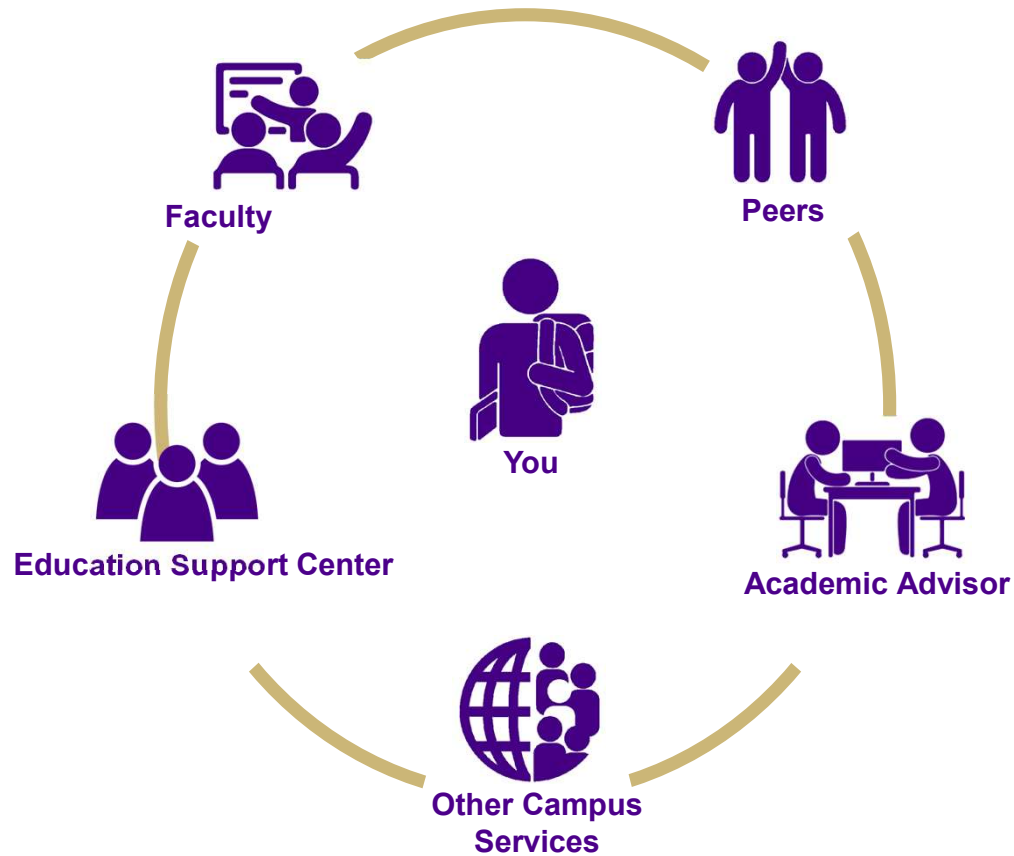
Marissa

English
Secondary Education

“Keep an open mind
about new
experiences,
opportunities, and
people. The best
memories and
friendships happen
when you least expect
it!”



Your success network at JMU



Resources for Academic Success

1. University Career Center
2. Counseling Center
3. Learning Success Strategies
4. Math Tutors in Roop Hall
5. Madison Advising Peers
6. Office of Disability Services
7. Peer Assisted Study Sessions (PASS)
8. Science and Math Learning Centers
9. University Writing Center
10. Education Support Center Tutor

Resources for Engagement



- Best Buddies Future
- Community of Future Secondary Educators
- Future Teachers of Color
- Kappa Delta Pi (KDP)
- Math Concentrators Club
- Raising an Organization of Trained Educators (ROTE)
- Student Virginia Education Association
- TEACH Ambassadors



See at you at
Weeks of Welcome!

Questions?