



Scholarships and Grants Workshop

July 7, 2022

Dr. Goldie Thompson
Assistant Vice Chancellor for
Teacher Preparation and Special
Programs

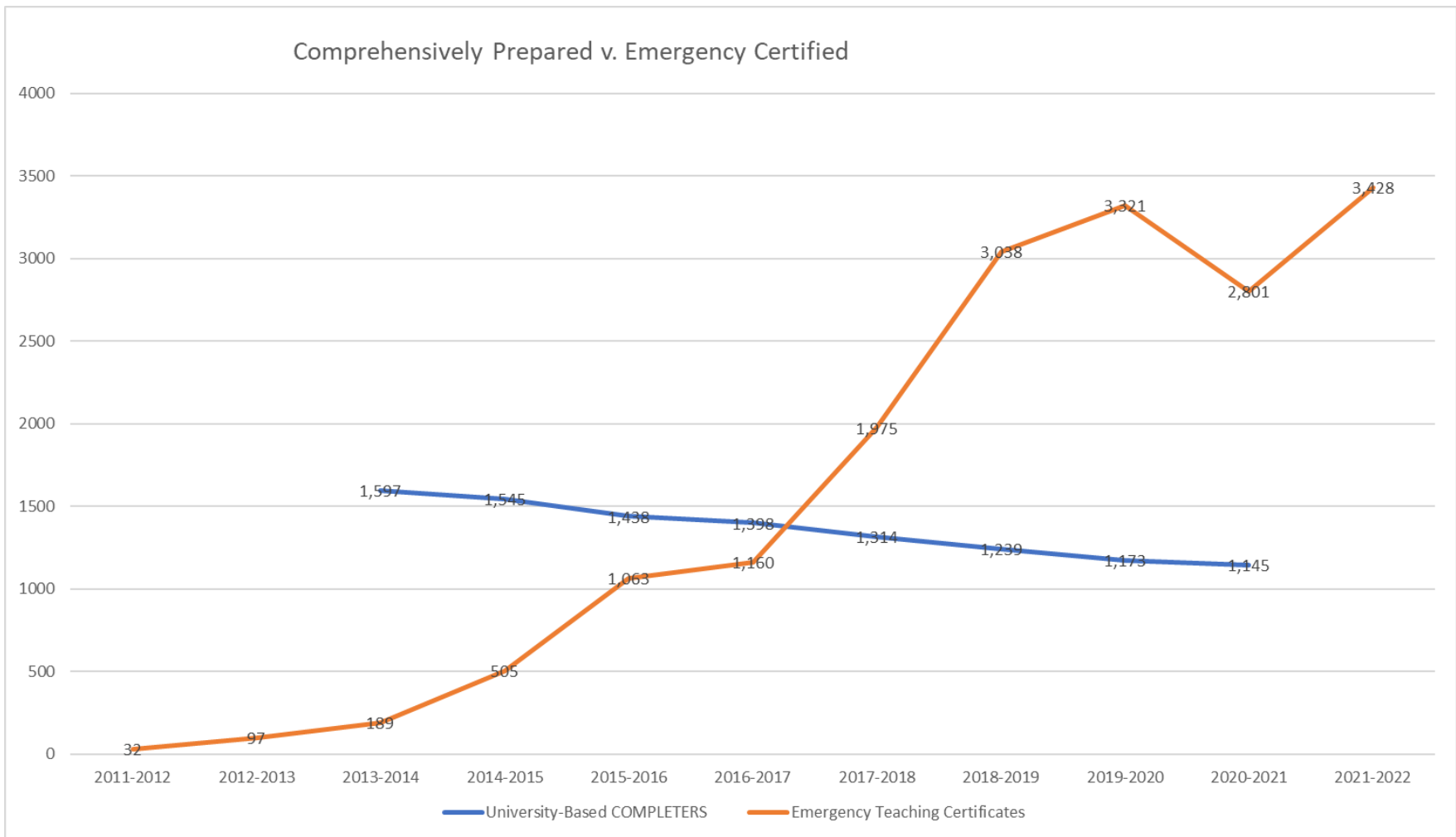
Objectives

- Introduction – Oklahoma Teacher Connection (OTC)
- A Brief Look at Teacher Preparation
- Teacher Shortage Employment Incentive Program (TSEIP)
- Oklahoma Future Teachers Scholarship and Employment Incentive Program (OFTSEIP)
- Other Scholarship and Incentive programs

Oklahoma Teacher Connection

- Recruitment, retention and placement of teachers in the public schools of the State of Oklahoma
- Funding of grants for campus-based recruitment, retention and placement programs
- Establishment and development of recruiting programs for potential teachers – including pre-collegiate curricular courses
- Teacher Education Scholarship/Incentive Programs
- Professional Development Conferences
- Teacher Education Policy
- Accreditation
- Various Initiatives (i.e. Paid Student Teaching)

Comprehensively Prepared v. Emergency Certified



Data from Oklahoma Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (OACTE)- 2022.

TSEIP Legislation – Title 70, O.S. § 698.3(A)

- 2001 – Program established for students enrolled in a major course of study in mathematics or science education
- Serve a minimum of 5 years in an Oklahoma public school at the secondary level teaching math or science
- Incentive Payments:
 - Not to exceed an amount equal to three times the average annual cost of undergraduate resident tuition and fees for full-time enrollment
 - Successful candidates are reimbursed eligible student loan expenses or an equivalent cash benefit
 - Incentive payments contingent upon the availability of funding

TSEIP - Analysis

Years	Total Applicants	Total Non-Eligible	Math	Science	Math/Science	Total Recipients	Total Amount Paid
2006- ^2021	971	*487	246	221	1	468	\$5,842,518

^ Year not complete

** Some applicants who sign up for the program never submit verification of their teaching status or eligibility, OR they never complete the requirements of the program*

Oklahoma Future Teacher Scholarship and Employment Incentive Program - Title 70, O.S. § **698.1**

- Program Requirements

- 2022 – Program to encourage the preparation of public school teachers for prekindergarten through twelfth grade in Oklahoma.
- Qualifications: Oklahoma high school graduate, Admissibility to an Oklahoma higher education institution, teacher education major, 2.5 Collegiate GPA, meet SAP, and enrolled full-time.
- Recipients receive a 4-year scholarship, as well as an employment incentive to work as public school teachers for pre-kindergarten through twelfth grade in the state for at least five (5) years.

Oklahoma Future Teacher Scholarship and Employment Incentive Program

- Scholarship and Incentive Payments:
 - Scholarship disbursements include one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per academic year for up to three (3) academic years, and two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) for the final academic year for eligible full-time students.
 - Incentive payments occur upon entry into the workforce as an Oklahoma public school teacher and includes \$4,000 each year for five consecutive years.
 - All program awards are contingent upon the availability of funds.

Oklahoma Future Teacher Scholarship and Employment Incentive Program

- Implementation Fall 2022
- Process Still in Development
- EPPs / Financial Aid Representatives
- More information is forthcoming

Teacher Education

- Other Scholarships and Incentive Programs – (Handout)
 - Teach Grant
 - Federal (Stafford) Loan Forgiveness for Teachers
 - Oklahoma Future Teacher Scholarship and Employment Incentive Program
 - University of Oklahoma Debt-Free Teachers Program
 - Public Service Loan Forgiveness
 - East Central University Teacher's Promise Scholarship

Questions?



Dr. Goldie Thompson
Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education
Teacher Education
gthompson@osrhe.edu
405.225.9143