

FY 2024 Impact Report APEC Center at Columbia College Centers of Excellence June 19, 2024

Activity	Goal	Impact	Budget spent to date
Developed new district partnership with Lexington County School District 2 and renewed partnership with Lexington County District 4. Conducted 12 information sessions for partner districts and college students at partner institutions. Enrolled 41 new APEC Fellows in APEC Cohort 7. Retained 27 APEC Fellows throughout the completion of the 4 course modules. Provided compensation for staff to direct, lead, and manage APEC Center activities.	Increase recruitment of quality candidates to critical need school districts.	Prepared new teachers for our current partner districts. New partnerships will provide additional pathways for district employees to pursue teacher certification.	\$35,500
Conducted CERRA Mentor Teacher training in January and June for more than 80 classroom teachers in our partner districts. Provided individual coaching and mentoring to new classroom teachers who completed APEC Cohort 5. Offered APEC Cohort 6 participants 27 hours of coursework in learning theory, classroom management, pedagogy, and differentiation. Provided professional development for APEC staff, supervisors, and instructors. Purchased books and instructional materials for APEC modules and professional development.	Increase the retention of APEC Fellows and APEC teachers in the classroom. Provide a quality alternative certification program for district employees and career changers. Improve mentor teachers' abilities to support beginning and pre-service teachers.	Support to increase the retention of APEC Fellows and teachers. Improved teacher competence and confidence. Lower teacher attrition.	\$53,000

APEC Center staff led professional learning seminars for current and future teachers. Provided Praxis training for APEC Fellows. Provided resources and study materials for certifying exams. APEC Center offered workshops on the Principles of Learning and Teaching (PLT) exam. Provided professional development workshops for more than 80 current and future teachers in March 2024. Offered Polishing Your Performance presentations by local and statewide educators and child advocates. Provided 16 hours of foundations of literacy instruction for future teachers in May and June 2024. Provided a first-year teacher workshop for teachers starting in the classroom in July 2024.	Provide professional development to practicing teachers and to APEC Fellows needing remediation and Praxis 2 support. Provide quality teachers for critical need schools.	Improved Praxis 2 pass rate. Practicing teachers learn strategies to support all learners. APEC Fellows pass certification exams and complete certification requirements. Fellows are able to secure classroom teaching positions.	\$21,000

Center staff submitted a conference proposal to present at the Association of Teacher Educator's Conference in March 2024.	Assess the performance and retention of teachers who receive alternative certification by 1) identifying and disseminating research on the program components and supports that candidates perceive have a positive impact on their success and retention and 2) determining their impact on student achievement.	\$3,000
Published two newsletters detailed the APEC Center's activities.		
Staff presented at the NASDTEC and NCTR conferences.		
Participated in the formal evaluation process to evaluate the Center's progress toward achieving its goals.		
		\$112,500