

Teacher Recruitment Information for School Leaders

The *Adapted Measure of Math Engagement (AM-ME)* research project is a three year, mixed-methods, critical participatory action research project that aims to develop a measure of math engagement that uplifts Black and Latino students' lived experiences.

Why do we need the AM-ME Research Group?

AM-ME is a critical participatory action research, which means we as researchers partner with local communities to design and carry out research activities. We believe that those being served by research should participate in the design of research questions, methods, analyses, interpretations, and action planning. By being critical, we encourage participants to investigate ways to better serve the needs of those not benefiting from current practices (e.g., developing measures that disrupt existing practice in productive ways).

What is the AM-ME Research Group?

We will partner with 5 math teachers and 5 students (**1 teacher and 1 student from each participating school**) to carry out project decisions and activities (e.g., conceptualize math engagement based on the lived experiences of Black and Latino students). Together, the researchers, 5 teachers, and 5 students will make up the **AM-ME Research Group**. We recognize that there are varying levels of development and diversity of insights, expertise, and positionality across practitioners and students. So, we will slowly increase the complexity and responsibilities of the group as the project progresses.

AM-ME Research Group Commitment. The AM-ME Research Group will meet twice a year (i.e., Spring 2023, Summer 2023, Fall 2023, Spring 2024, Fall 2024, and Spring 2025). Each meeting will last approximately three hours per day for 2-3 days in a row. Meetings will take place in-person at hours outside of the school day. Between meetings, group members may be asked to support project activities. We expect supporting project activities to take around 40 hours per year. Decisions will be guided by the group norms and expectations established during the initial meeting using a consensus-based decision-making protocol that prioritizes both student and adult voices. **Each AM-ME Research Group member will be paid an honorarium of \$80/hour for up to \$4,000 per year for their time commitment and contribution.**

How do we recruit for the AM-ME Research Group?

School administrators will help identify 1 teacher from their school to join the AM-ME Research Group; the teacher then will be asked to nominate 1 student to join as well.

Recruitment **requirement:**

- The teacher provides instruction in math (e.g., math teacher, instructional coach, support staff).
- The student is in Middle School or High School

Recruitment **preference:**

- Have both male and female educators and students from across the participating schools.

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Learn more about the Adapted Measure of Math Engagement at <https://www.childtrends.org/project/adapted-measure-of-math-engagement>.