Alief ISD Q & A’s

1. **Do student teachers at Alief ISD get paid?**
   Yes. Student teachers at Alief ISD qualify for participation in a Texas grant that allows them to be paid. Technically student teachers become employees of the Alief ISD. The hourly wage for Fall 2015 is $12.65/hour for up to 40 hours per week.

2. **Where would I live?**
   You are responsible for your own living arrangements. Alief ISD has a company that can assist you in finding a safe, affordable apartment. Many times UNL student teachers room together to help offset costs. You do not have to use the placement company if you have other living arrangements.

3. **When would I start?**
   The Alief spring semester (Jan. 2016) begins with a staff workday on January 4, the first day you are to report. Classes begin on January 5 so please plan accordingly. Please reference the school calendar on the reverse side for specific information.

4. **What kind of support can I expect during my student teaching semester at Alief?**
   The Alief ISD is committed to making your student teaching semester an outstanding experience. Human Resources schedules a Nebraska-only student teacher orientation (UNL, UNK, etc.), to allow you the opportunity to engage on an individual level. You will also meet a number of Alief teachers who are native Nebraskans – they are excellent resources for school questions, as well as what to do in your spare time.

   The University supervisor for our student teachers is a former Alief ISD principal. She has worked with Nebraska student teachers for many years and is committed to supporting you through your experience. Dr. Sara Skretta, Director of Professional Experiences, is also a resource to assist you in any way you might need.

5. **Will I be able to attend graduation on May 7, 2016?**
   Student teachers completing one endorsement will end placements in Alief on April 29th.

   Dual majors (i.e., ELED/SPED) placements will finish on May 13th. If you plan to attend commencement you will need to return to Alief to finish your last week of placement in order to receive a recommendation for certification.

6. **Can I contact someone student teaching in Alief this semester with other questions?**
   Dr. Skretta can provide you with the contact information for student teachers currently in an Alief placement upon request.