Cooperating Teacher Training



Purpose: The cooperating teacher training, along with the handbook, will serve as a reference tool and guide during the student internship experience. Please take the opportunity to carefully read through the presentation in order to gain an understanding of the university's policies and procedures. The University Supervisor and Office of Clinical Experiences promises to support you in this crucial role throughout the placement. Please contact us at anytime should you need assistance.

Welcome Letter

Hello,

I want to begin with a heartfelt "thank you" from the University of North Alabama College of Education and Human Sciences. Your guidance, influence, innovation, and mentoring will prepare our teacher candidates to begin their careers! Below are a few announcements to review before your intern arrives on Monday (January 10th). Second placement interns will be arriving March 7th.

Reminders:

- The internship handbook will provide all the procedures and rules associate with internship. The handbook is linked in this training.
- All intern assessments are completed in TK20 (UNA Database system). You will receive
 an email containing a link to their assessments. I'll be in touch when they are sent out.
 See page 29 of the internship handbook for due dates.
- Interns will follow your schedule. If you are expected to be face-to-face, virtual, or on campus, they are expected to do the same. If schools return to all virtual, they will stay with you and work virtually.
- The university supervisor will be by to visit you during the first two weeks.

Action Items:

- Be sure to work through this entire presentation. There are several items for you to complete.
- Please have the trainings completed by January 21st.

Zoom Chats:

I will offer Zoom chats again this year. They will take place at 3:30 on each date listed below. Although they are not mandatory, your participation is appreciated. Please add these to your calendar.

- February 2nd
- March 2nd
- April 6th

During placement, if you have any concerns with the intern, please notify the university supervisor. We want you to have a great experience! Your guidance will help us insure that we graduate high quality teacher candidates. Thank you again for investing in our students!

I appreciate each of you!

Ms. Christy Waters, Ed.S. '13 | <u>256.765.4482</u>

Director, Clinical Experiences

Educator Preparation

How to get off to a great start!

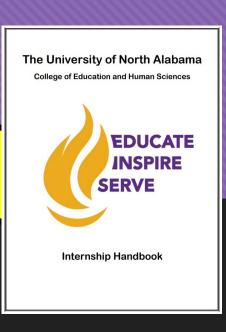
O What an Intern Needs:

- Last semester, several of you asked me to outline what an intern needs from their cooperating teacher. I have listed a few suggestions below based off speaking with interns over the years.
- Feedback (positive and constructive) Please don't be afraid to be honest. This can be done verbally, with sticky notes, or formally using our field assessments form.
- O Weekly planning time. Set aside a block of time each week to plan. An intern's plans are submitted to us the week before they teach any content. This allows you and the supervisor time to correct errors.
- A separate space from you for their items (small desk area, etc.)
- O Communication—if you are not happy with management, attitude, etc. Speak up and let them know! Then, work together to find a solution that works for both of you.
- Remember—they are a novice teacher. Our students usually complete around 120 hours in the classroom prior to internship, your intern has only completed around 50 due to Covid. Help them through the mistakes, don't expect them to teach or know the content like you, and train them to be the next generation of teachers!

Quick Review of the Internship Handbook

A full copy of the handbook can be view at this link:

HANDBOOK LINK



- Interns are to exhibit dispositions at all times in the classroom setting.
- Notification of an absent should be submitted by 7:00 AM. All absences must be reported through an email to the supervisor, cooperating teacher, and Christy Waters.
- Interns should not request to leave early for employment reasons.
- Interns must be well dressed and groomed at all times.
- Interns are not allowed to teach any content without pre-approval of lesson plans from the cooperating teacher and supervisor.
- Interns are not the teacher of record and cannot be left alone as the substitute teacher.
- Interns should attend professional development with you. PD days are not off days for interns.
- Interns are required to attend school events outside of the regular school day (PTO, open house, parent conferences, etc...)

Internship Timeline Spring 2022 (Tentative)

Interns follow school calendars for holidays not UNA's schedule Check edTPA timelines for specific due dates and trainings

January 10th -March 4th first placement March 7th -April 29th second placement

January:

4th	Orientation meeting	SH Auditorium	8:30-12:30
5th	ARI training (everyone)	East Campus	Elementary/Secondary 8:30-10:30 ECE 11:00-1:00
5th	edTPA training (Elem only)	East Campus	1:00-4:00
6th	edTPA Task 4 (Elem only)	East Campus	8:30-11:30
6th	A.L.I.C.E training	East Campus	Secondary 8:00-12:00 Elem/ECE 1:00-5:00
7th	edTPA training (ECE)	East Campus	8:30-11:30
7th	edTPA training (Secondary)	East Campus	1:00-4:00
10th-14th	Orientation days in schools	Assigned School	Full school day

February:

1st Stevens Auditorium Stevens Auditorium	3:30-5:30

March:

1 st	Second Seminar	Stevens Auditorium	3:30-5:30
7 th	edTPA submission/seco	nd placement begins	

April:

5 th	Third Seminar	Stevens Auditorium	3:30-5:30
19th or 21st	Educational Industry Tours	Shoals Area	7:45-4:00
20 th	Educational Recruitment Day	Banquet Halls	12:30-3:00
29 th	Internship placement ends		

May:

6th Graduation Reception/Ceremony GUC/Flowers

Internship Calendar

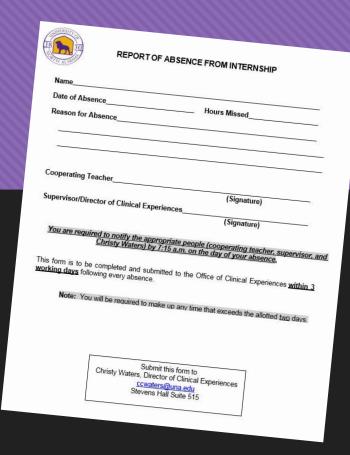
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- Interns follow the school's calendar and not UNA's calendar
- Interns should share edTPA dates/times with you.
- Interns must return to campus for mandatory meetings and seminars

Absences From Internship

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- O Attendance during the internship is vital to the success of all interns. Each intern is expected to be in attendance everyday throughout the entire period of the internship.
- O <u>Internship is designed as a "no cut" experience</u>; however serious personal illness of the intern or death of an immediate family member may require an absence from placement. <u>These absences must be documented through the Director of Clinical Experiences, university supervisor, and cooperating teacher.</u>
- Tardy Policy: Interns are expected to be in their assigned classrooms every day at the same designated time as the cooperating teachers. A tardy is considered an absence. If illness or an emergency makes it necessary for you to be tardy from the internship assignment., notify the cooperating teacher/school prior to the beginning of the school day.



A form of absence is required anytime the intern misses time from the classroom. This form is shown above and must be signed by you. Please report to the University Supervisor if any of the procedures are not being followed correctly.

Solo Teaching Days

Interns are required to solo teach 10 consecutive days and maintain full responsibilities of the classroom at least 20 days.

- O Split Placements: Early Childhood, Collaborative, and P-12 majors (PE, Band, Choral)--10 days per placements for a total of 20
- O Full Semester Placements: Elementary, Secondary, Some Band—10 consecutive days and 10 flex days (flex days do not have to be consecutive and represent days the intern is teaching for the full school day)

Solo Time—Question/Answer

- O What is solo teaching? Interns are required to solo teach as part of their graduation and certification requirements in Alabama. Solo teaching provides the opportunity for an intern to have full responsibility of planning, managing, and teaching in the classroom setting under the guidance of a cooperating teacher.
- O While the intern is soloing, is it required that I leave the classroom? No, our students are guest in your classroom and each teacher can make that decision. Cooperating teachers should check with their building administrator for further guidance. We do ask that an intern not be left for extended periods of time.
- O Does solo teaching mean I am unable to step in as needed or teach along side my intern? No, you are always welcome to step in or correct content errors. We request that it is done in a respectful and constructive way. If the university supervisor is observing, we ask for you not be involved in the lesson.
- What needs to be done if the intern is overwhelmed and unable to solo teach? The first few days of solo teaching can be difficult for an intern to manage and may require additional support from the cooperating teacher. Interns are novices teachers and will need consistent constructive feedback after mistakes are made. If the intern's soloing teaching is negatively affecting student learning, we ask that immediate contact is made with the university supervisor. As a team, we will co-construct a remediation plan and provide extra supervision. In extreme cases or at the request of the cooperating teacher, the intern will be removed from the placement.

Special Circumstances

Departmentalize Teachers

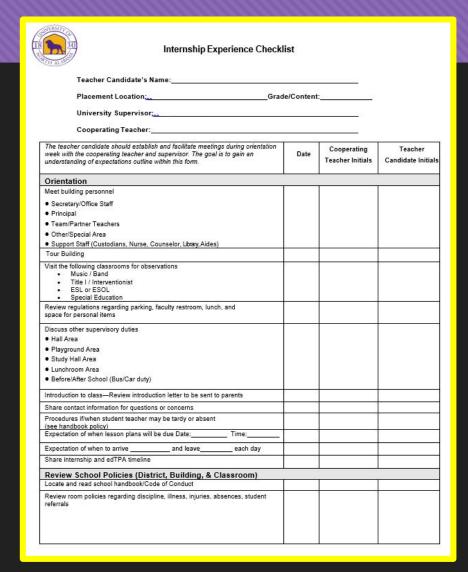
Elementary interns are being certified in all subject areas and must have experience in each content area. The University Supervisor will provide assistance in working out the best plan for rotating among the other team members. Only the cooperating teacher assigned to the intern must hold a masters degree and three years of teaching experience.

Last Period Planning-Leaving Early

O Interns are never permitted to leave placement before the end of the school day. They should not stay in the classroom if the cooperating is off campus. Interns can either move to common work areas (workroom, library) and finish planning or rotate to another teacher's classroom within their content area.

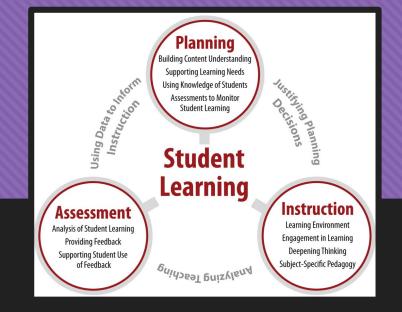
Internship Experience Checklist

Interns will work with their cooperating teacher to complete the Internship Checklist. Please be sure all expectations are set during orientation week. A copy of the checklist can be found in the internship handbook on page 25-27.



What is edTPA?

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Interns will provide and discuss an additional handout
First placement only



- OedTPA is a performance-based assessment that provides evidence that teachers beginning their careers are ready to teach
- OedTPA focuses on three areas critical to effective instruction: Planning, Instruction, and Assessment
- OedTPA is consequential for licensure in Alabama beginning fall of 2018
- OTo learn more please visit: edTPA Site

Lesson Plan Template

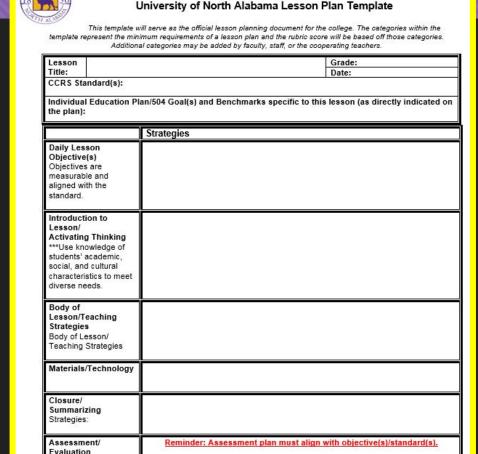
Reflection

**University Supervisors and
Cooperating Teachers must
approve all lesson plans prior to
the content being taught in the
classroom. Under no
circumstances is an intern
allowed to teach without an
approved lesson plan. **

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The lesson plan template represents the minimum categories for lesson planning in the P-12 classroom setting. All interns must use the template shown for all lessons.



Grading Procedures for Internship

- Upon completion of the internship, supervising faculty will issue a letter grade for each half of the internship semester.
- Internship grades will be based on the chart below unless otherwise communicated by the supervising professor. Cooperating teacher evaluations are factored in the final grade.

First Half of Semester	Second Half of Semester
Faculty Evaluations, 50% edTPA Completion, 30% Dispositions/Professionalism, 20%	Faculty Evaluations, 50% Teacher Work Sample, 30% Dispositions/Professionalism, 20%

NOTE: If an intern has not completed all requirements assigned by the Office of Clinical Experiences, they will receive an Incomplete in their Internship until all outstanding requirements are satisfied.

Candidate Disposition Referral Form

Teacher candidates who are not progressing or adequately meeting the expectations outlined in the disposition referral may be required to complete a formal remediation plan. The referral should be issued to a teacher candidate if concerns arise during the internship placement. Please follow the procedures for issuing a referral and contact the university for support.

Teacher Candidate Referrals, Due Process, and Appeals

All University of North Alabama students seeking teacher certification are informed that the College of Education and Human Sciences Education (COEHS) Preparation Program establishes dispositions for prospective teachers. The field and clinical teaching program is a collaborative relationship between UNA, cooperating school districts, mentor teachers, and the teacher candidate. The COEHS routinely monitors the professional dispositions throughout the program for all teacher candidates. Those candidates who are not progressing or adequately meeting the expectations outlined in the disposition referral (Form A) may be required to complete a formal remediation plan. Occarionally, there are circumstances that warrant the candidate's removal from the field or clinical teaching experience. The COEHS prescribed specific steps to be followed for intervention or possible removal of the teacher candidate. Such steps are detailed below. All cases of intervention or possible removal of teacher candidate(s) will be referred to the rofessional Ethics Committee (PEC). The PEC will consist of six members as follows: Associate Dean, Director of Teacher Preparation, and four faculty representatives. A minimum of four members shall constitute a quorum. A quorum must be present at meetings for proceedings to be valid.

The disposition referral procedures

provide step-by-step instructions for

are found in the handbook on

page: 10. This document will

usina the referral form.

Reasons for Intervention

- Mutual consent and agreement for withdra reasons of illness, injury, or other unforese semester).
- Failure by the candidate to establish and n instruction and management.
- 3. Failure by the candidate to abide by the po
- 4. Breach of Alabama Code of Ethics.
- 5. Other reasons as determined by UNA.

Due Process Procedures for Intervention or Possible Removal of Teacher Candidate

Withdrawal of the field or clinical assignment of a teacher candidate for the reasons previously stated in numbers 2, 3,4 or 5 should follow these prescribed steps:

- The teacher candidate shall be informed by the cooperating teacher and university supervisor of any unsatisfactory
 performance. This shall be done through written evaluations, personal conferences, and/or written documentation
 (Form A) of any infractions of school district policy, UNA policy, professionalism, or violations of state or federal law.
- An intervention plan will be crafted through the collaboration of the university supervisor, cooperating teacher, Director of Teacher Preparation, and teacher candidate.
- 3. If UNA determines that a teacher candidate does not follow through with prescribed verbal and written suggestions for improvement documented within the intervention plan or a third referral is issued, the university supervisor and Director of Teacher Preparation shall initiate a hearing in front of the Professional Ethics Committee (PEC). The teacher candidate will be removed from the P-12 classroom setting until future notice.
- 4. The teacher candidate will be given notice (Form B) of the hearing through university email within three (3) working days of removal from the P-12 classroom setting. The teacher candidate can have a university advisor of their choosing present at the hearing (as defined in UNA Student's Procedural Rights). The PEC will be assembled for the meeting to

Candidate Name:	Course Name:	
Elementary Secondary (content area):	Date:	
Purpose: The University of North Alabama students seekin Sciences establishes dispositions for prospective teachers service teachers. The dispositions are directly fed to the A (https://www.asde.edu/sec/ee/Documents/Alabama_Educa The purpose of this referral notice is to be informative or in the candidate demonstrates commitment to profile the candidate demonstrates commitment to cont (IDTASC 1.2.3.4.5.6.7.8.9.10) (CF 12.6)	tor Code of Elikss.pdf. proceedings not being met. (Dispositions meet CAEP standards 1, 3, 4) essional responsibility. (IDLASC 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10) (CF 1) all standards. (IDLASC 9, 10) (CF 1) inually evaluate his/her practice to meet the needs of all learnes g current technology for improving student learning and enrich	rrs.
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Candidate Signature: Evaluator Signature:	that teacher candid aware of classroom are not being met.	
Department Chair Signature: Administrative Notes:	,	

What Assessments do I complete as a Cooperating Teacher?

All internship evaluations will be completed in Tk20. A link to your intern's assessments will be sent to your email within the first three weeks of placement. The chart to the right contains the due dates for assessments. It is located in the handbook on page 29.

The link for rubric training is located in the email – please sure to work through the training.



Cooperating Teachers Forms and Evaluations

All evaluations are completed in TK20 (UNA Database). A direct link to the intern's assessments will be sent out from lpittington@una.edu at the beginning of the placement. Please check junk/spam folders. If you are unable to locate your links, please email kg20@una.edu to have them resent. The cooperating teacher training must be completed before rubrics can be scored. The training will be provided at the beginning of the semester by the Director of Clinical Experiences.

Hosting first placement only (January 10th-March 4th)

- Two Field Experience Rubrics-Completed during weeks 1-4 & 5-8
- Survey of University Supervisor
- Education Disposition Assessment (EDA)
- Teacher Summative Evaluation

Hosting second placement only (March 7th-April 29th)

- Two Field Experience Rubrics-Completed during weeks 1-4 & 5-8
- Survey of University Supervisor
- Education Disposition Assessment (EDA)
- Teacher Summative Evaluation

Hosting full semester (January 10th-April 29th)

- Two Field Experience Rubrics-Completed during weeks 1-4 & 5-8—Due March 4th
- Two Field Experience Rubrics-Completed during weeks 9-12 & 13-16—Due April 29th
- Survey of University Supervisor-Due April 29th
- Education Disposition Assessment (EDA)—April 29th
- Teacher Summative Evaluation—Due April 29th

^{*}Assessments/Surveys are due March 4th

^{*}Assessments/Surveys are due April 29th

Rubric Training for Cooperating Teachers

Please copy and paste the link in your browser.

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/17_aD8GjTIPA1zMKxa-HI7W2ZnS9b9rPAc-s1W4KkukE/edit?usp=sharing

All cooperating teachers are required to work through the rubric training.

Instrument	When Utilized	Administered By	Data Collected
Field Experience Observation Rubric	Field Experiences embedded in courses & Internship	Supervisors and cooperating teachers	TK20
Summative Evaluation	Internship	Supervisors/Cooperating Teachers	TK20
Ethics Assessment (EDA)	Admission to TEP & Internship	EPP Office TEP admission Supervisors Cooperating Teachers	TK20

Educational Disposition Assessment (EDA) Training

- Educational Disposition Assessment (EDA)
 Refresher training for everyone <u>Link to the Dispositional Assessments annual refresher training</u>.
- O All passwords are case sensitive and contain no spaces. The password for the course is: DA
- Once inside the site, select EDA Refresher radio button on the left hand side (be sure to click the actual button and not just the word), scroll down and play the video, the password to enter the training is **EDA**
- The EDA Rubric Handout is on next slide
- If you have trouble accessing the training, additional directions are posted in the training section.

EDA Rubric

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Evaluator.			
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Disposition 1. Demonstrates	Needs Improvement	ssociated Indicators Developing	Meets Expectations
Effective Oral Communication Skills	0 0	Developing 1	Meets expectations 2
	Does not consistently demonstrate professional oral communication skills as evidenced by making major errors in language, grammar, and word choice	Demonstrates professional oral communication skills as evidenced by using appropriate language, grammar, and word choice for the learning environment, yet makes some common and noticeable errors	Demonstrates strong professional oral communication skills as evidenced by using appropriate language, grammar, and word choice for the learning environment
	Does not vary oral communication to mativate students as evidenced by monotone voice with visible lack of student participation	Strives to vary oral communication as evidenced of some students demonstrating a lack of participation	□ Varies oral communication as evidenced by encouraging participatory behaviors
	Choice of vocabulary is either too difficult or too simplistic	Occasionally uses vocabulary that is either too difficult or too simplistic	Communicates at an age appropriate level a evidenced by explaining content specific vocabulary
Disposition 2. Demonstrates	Needs Improvement	ssociated Indicators Developing	Meets Expectations
2. Demonstrates Effective Written Communication Skills	0 0	1	meers expectations 2
	Communicates in tones that are harsh or negative as evidenced by fostering negative responses Demonstrates major	Communicates respectfully and positively but with some defectable negative undertones, evidenced by unproductive responses Demonstrates common	Communicates respectfully and positively with all stakeholders as evidenced by fostering conventional responses Demonstrates precise
	spelling and grammar errors or demonstrates frequent common mistakes	errors in spelling and grammar	spelling and grammar

3. Demonstrates professionalism Danielson: 4f; InTASC: 9[o]	Needs Improvement 0	Developing 1	Meets Expectations 2
	 Does not respond to communications and does not submit all assignments 	Delayed response to oommunications and late submission of assignments	Responds promptly to communications and submits all assignments
	 Fails to exhibit punctuality and/or attendance 	Not consistently punctual and/or has absences	Consistently exhibits punctuality and attendance
	 Crosses major boundaries of ethical standards of practice 	Crosses minor boundaries of ethical standards of practice	☐ Maintains professional boundaries of ethical standards of practice
	Divulges inappropriate personal life issues at the classroom/workplace as evidenced by uncomfortable responses from others	Occasionally divulges inappropriate personal life issues into the classroom/workplace, but this is kept to a minimum	Keeps inappropriate personal life issues out of classroom/workplace
	☐ Functions as a group member with no	Functions as a collaborative group member as evidenced	☐ Functions as a collaborative group
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Demonstrates a positive and enthusiastic attitude	Needs improvement O Often complains when encountering problems and rarely offers	participation towards productive outcomes or monopolizes conversation Associated Indicators Developing Seeks solutions to problems	high levels of participation towards productive outcomes Meets Expectations 2 Actively seeks solutions to problems without prempting or complainin Tries new ideas/activities

5. Demonstrates	Needs Improvement	Associated Indicators Developing	Meets Expectations
preparedness in teaching and learning Danielson: 1e, 3e, 4a: InTASC: 3(p)	0	1	mees expectations
	☐ Rejects constructive feedback as evidenced by no implementation of feedback	 Somewhat resistant to constructive feedback as evidenced by a lack of follow through on some suggestions 	Accepts constructive feedback as evidenced by implementation of feedback as needed
	Possesses an inaccurate perception of teaching/learning effectiveness as evidenced by limited concept of how to improve	Reflection contains inaccuracies as evidenced by needing assistance for corrective measures of improvement	☐ Learns and adjusts from experience and reflection as evidenced by improvements in performance
	 Comes to class unplanned and without needed materials 	Comes to class with some plans and most needed materials	Comes to class planned and with all needed materials
	 Does not have awareness to after lessons in progress as evidenced by 	Aware that lesson is not working but does not know how to after plans to adjust	Alters lessons in progress when needed as evidenced by ability to change plan mid-lesson
	activating no changes when needed		to overcome the deficits
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9. Exhibits the social and emotional intelligence to promote personal and educational goals/stability blessage 37, 38	Needs Improvement 0		cioted Indicators Developing 1		Meels Expectations 2	
		Demonstrates immaturity and lack of self- regulation as evidenced by overreacting to sensitive issues		Demonstrates level of maturity to self-regulate after initial response is one of overreaction to sensitive issues		Demonstrates appropriate maturity and self-regulation as evidenced by remaining calm when discussing sensitive issues
		Does not demonstrate perseverance and resilience (grit) as evidenced by giving up easily		Demonstrates perseverance and resilience (grit) most of the time		Demonstrates perseverance and resilience (grit) as evidenced by tenacious and determined ability to persist through tough situations
		Demonstrates insensitivity to feelings of others as evidenced by a lack of compassion and empathetic social		Demonstrates sensitivity to feelings of others most of the time		Demonstrates sensitivity to feelings of others as evidenced by compassionate and empathetic social gwareness

Training Record—Final Step

When you have completed the cooperating teacher training and EDA refresher course, please complete the Google form as a recording of your trainings.

https://forms.gle/ixrb1U1ScG8ph6MT7

Thank you for participating in the training session!



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