



Inspiring the Teachers of Tomorrow

At the Sanford Inspire Program, we **inspire individuals to make an impact** and elevate the status of the teaching profession. We attract teacher candidates who are committed to the idea that **each child deserves an excellent teacher**.

On the evening of April 17, 2012, the Sanford Inspire Program recruitment team hosted a Future Freshman Dinner on the Tempe campus for first time freshman applicants to the Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College and their family members. Forty-two high school seniors attended the dinner. Over 110 individuals packed the Ventana Ballroom including guests, ASU staff and faculty, and current students.

The audience heard from a variety of speakers throughout the program, including the following individuals:

- April Boozer, Clinical Instructor
- Yazmin Reyes, ASU freshman studying Secondary Education with a focus in English
- Dr. Allison Mullady, iTeachAZ Site Coordinator
- Yesenia Ortiz, ASU senior studying Early Childhood Education
- Chad Caudle, principal at Hohokam Traditional School (iTeachAZ school site)
- Shaun Holmes, principal at Navajo Elementary School (iTeachAZ school site)
- Drew Shaw, Recruitment Specialist

At the conclusion of the formal program, high school seniors and their guests had the opportunity to visit seven different information stations set up around the ballroom. The following information stations were staffed by Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College faculty, staff, and current students:

- Financial Aid and Scholarships
- Speak with an Advisor
- Student Life
- Careers in Education
- iTeachAZ
- Next Steps for Enrollment
- Secondary Education and iTeachAZ



To measure the impact of this inspirational event on the attitudes of prospective students and their families, guests completed a survey about their experience at the dinner. See below for results from our first two questions:

Responses from 41 high school seniors

	Unsure	Somewhat sure	100% sure
Before attending this dinner, I was ___ I wanted to attend Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College at ASU.	22% (n=9)	32% (n=13)	46% (n=19)
After attending this dinner, I was ___ I wanted to attend Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College at ASU	2% (n=1)	34% (n=14)	63% (n=26)

Responses from 37 guests (i.e.- parents, guardians of high school students)

	Unsure	Somewhat sure	100% sure
Before attending this dinner, I was ___ I wanted my student to attend Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College at ASU.	24% (n=9)	32% (n=12)	43% (n=16)
After attending this dinner, I was ___ I wanted my student to attend Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College at ASU	0% (n=0)	22% (n=8)	78% (n=29)