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University Schools Research Research Consortium (USRC)
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Who is the USRC?

• An interdisciplinary group of scholars, School Directors, and community partners with pursuing innovative research partnerships in our University Schools

• Established from the formation of UMiddle and with the support of the Consortium of Research Scholars (CoRS)
What is the USRC focused on?

- Spearheading interdisciplinary research from education to STEM to the humanities to fine arts to public health

- Mentorship/networking for all involved, particularly junior faculty

- Interdisciplinary grant writing support: 2019 Grant Writing Incentive Awards
  - Minimum of 2 $1500 awards this year
What is the USRC focused on?

- Approving all research-related requests to work with University Schools
  - University Schools Research Proposal Application
  - Takes the place of meeting with school directors individually

- Serving as the repository for documenting all research activities in University Schools
  - Sharing out all successes
  - Giving credit to all partners
What are the Schools interested in?

**Lipman ELRC**
- Early Childhood Social Emotional Development
- Self-Regulation in Preschoolers
- STEM in Early Childhood

**Campus School**
- STEM Programs and the Impact on Student Engagement
- Literacy in Early Childhood Programs
- Mathematical Practices

**University Middle**
- Makerspaces and Real-World Thinkers/Attitudes toward Learning
- Project Based Learning Curriculum Development & Effectiveness
- Social-emotional curriculum impact on student development
How to submit research proposal to USRC

• Go to any of the University Schools websites, and to the “Research” tab

https://www.memphis.edu/campusschool/research/index.php
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• 1st Step: Submit proposal through the USRC application link
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• **2\textsuperscript{nd} Step:** USRC Reviews: Chair & applicable School Director and provides decision within 2 weeks

• **Next Steps:** Researcher completes other required application processes
Join Us!

• USRC Inaugural Research Consortium Reception
  – Tuesday October 1st, 5-7pm
  – Email Carolyn.Kaldon@memphis.edu to be added to the email invitation list

• Free event will include:
  – remarks by President Rudd
  – information on how to get involved with the USRC
  – wine reception where interested partners can meet and talk with current USRC scholars
QUESTIONS?

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