

**National Science Foundation – Changes and Realignments
Education and Human Resources (EHR) Directorate**

FY 2006:

Division Changes:

- **Old:**
 - Elementary, Secondary and Informal Education (ESIE)
 - Research, Evaluation and Communication (REC)

- **New (Merger):**
 - **Division of Research on Learning in Formal and Informal Settings (DRL)**

Program Changes:

- **Research and Evaluation on Education in Science and Engineering (REESE)** is regrouping of:
 - Research on Learning and Education (ROLE)
 - Evaluative Research and Evaluation Capacity Building (EREC)
 - Interagency Education Research Initiative (IERI)

- **Math and Science Partnership (MSP)** has been moved to the Division of Undergraduate Education (DUE). This proposal does not change any programmatic arrangements of the MSP but simply moves all programs and associated staff from the EHR Office of the Assistant Director to DUE. The MSP budget line item and its associated funding will remain discrete within the DUE budget.

New Programs:

- **Academies for Young Scientists (NSFAYS) Pilot**

FY 2007:

(EHR will maintain the new DRL division created in FY 2006)

New Programs:

- **Discovery Research K-12 (DR-K12)**, combines:
 - Instructional Materials Development (IMD),
 - Teacher Professional Continuum (TPC), and
 - Centers for Learning and Teaching (CLT).
 - Although DR-K12 will maintain the pre-existing focus on students, teachers, and schools, it will offer researchers and educators increased flexibility to work either in topical areas or across broad new domains to seek answers to the grand challenges facing K-12 education.
 - DR-K12 will focus on applied research and development, building on the cutting-edge, experimental research supported by REESE, and handing off innovations to states and districts for large-scale implementation.

Ongoing Programs:

- **Informal Science Education (ISE)**

- **Research and Evaluation on Education in Science and Engineering (REESE)**

Funding Changes

Division of Research on Learning in Formal and Informal Settings (DRL)

- **Increases**
 - Discovery Research K-12 (DR-K12) program by \$10.71 million
 - Informal Science Education (ISE) increases by \$2.94 million
- **Decreases**
 - Research and Evaluation on Education in Science and Engineering (REESE): \$6.87 million
 - Academies for Young Scientists (NSFAYS), a pilot to be initiated in FY 2006. No funds requested in FY 2007.
 - Final funding in FY 2006 for Higher Education Centers for Learning and Teaching:

Division of Undergraduate Education (DUE)

- **Increases**
 - Robert Noyce Scholarship program (Noyce) by \$1.0 million
 - Advanced Technological Education (ATE) by \$990,000 Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Talent Expansion Program (STEP) by \$500,000
- **Decreases**
 - Math and Science Partnership (MSP) program by \$17.18 million. Funding will be continued for all existing MSP projects including new awards for Institute Partnerships made in FY 2006; and for data collection, evaluation, and dissemination.

Human Resource Development (HRD)

- **Increases**
 - Program for Gender Equity (PGE) increases by \$1.28 million
 - Research in Disabilities Education (RDE) increases by \$660,000