What do the local schools and universities who are utilizing and training

Corpsmen think about the Teacher Corps?

Of the 79 school districts replying 68 (86%) said they wanted more Corpsmen, 3 indicated they did not want more Corpsmen and 8 indicated they were undecided about asking for more Corpsmen. These 68 school districts who asked for more Corpsmen now utilize 743 interns and experienced teachers. They have asked for an additional 1400 Corpsmembers in the next academic year.

The fifty universities now training Teacher Corpsmen report that an additional 300 local schools not now utilizing Teacher Corps teams have approached them

about developing proposals for such teams for the next academic year.

Both groups were asked to rate the Teacher Corps in comparison to other teacher education programs. Below is a chart of their responses:

	Universities	School districts
Much better. Percent. Somewhat better. Same as others. Somewhat poorer. Much poorer.	33 (74) 4 9 4 0	39 (75) 20 16 4
Total replying	1 50	2 79

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Of 50. <sup>2</sup> Of 111.

## Distribution of corpsmen by grades taught

	Number of corpsmen	Percent
Preschool and kindergarten 1 to 3. 4 to 6. 7 to 9.	61 352 412 291 97	5 29 34 24 8
Total	1, 213	100

## B. INTERNS

There are 1213 members of the Teacher Corps. Of these 268 are experienced teachers and 945 are "teacher interns", persons with a bachelors degree who are training to become fully qualified teachers of the nation's disadvantaged children.

Of the 945 interns 474 are male and 471 female. 133 males are teaching at the elementary school level where male teachers are scarce. Educators have pointed out that a high percentage of slum children lack a positive male figure at home and there is consequently a great need for male elementary teachers. 28% of Teacher Corps men are working with elementary children as opposed to the national average of 14.6% of male teachers in elementary education.

288 interns are married and 657 are single. They have an average of 1.3 dependents per married intern.

Of the 474 men in the Teacher Corps 119 of them have a record of prior military service.

Some 311 interns have some previous teaching experience although only 132

were fully certified teachers before entering the Teacher Corps.

All interns have a bachelor's degree. The chart below breaks down their undergraduate majors.