



Pennsylvania Association of Colleges and Teacher Educators

August 2023 Update

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Call for Nominations for Teacher Educator of the Year

C'mon--you know somebody worthy of this award! Please suggest an outstanding faculty member for the Teacher Educator of the Year Award. Go to the Teacher Educator of the Year [nominations page](#) on our website for more information. Nominations and required references are due September 30. Don't wait.

PAC-TE Board Nominations -- Your chance to name a future leader

PAC-TE is soliciting nominations for four seats on the Board of Directors. This is a wonderful opportunity to become involved in a position of leadership at the state level. PAC-TE members may make nominations of others (with their consent), or they may self-nominate.

The following seats on the Board of Directors will be filled by election in the Fall of 2023. The terms for all three seats are three years and run from June 1, 2024, through May 31, 2027.

- Treasurer: carries out PAC-TE's financial activities in adherence to Pennsylvania and federal law
- One seat for a representative of a **Private** institution of higher education in Pennsylvania engaged in educator preparation. Note: Director in this seat

is up for re-election.

- One seat for a representative of a **Public** institution of higher education in Pennsylvania engaged in educator preparation. Nominee may be a representative from a PASSHE institution or a state-related institution.
- One seat for an **At-large** representative. At-large candidates must be members of PAC-TE, but At-large nominees do not have to represent a particular institution.

Please email Dr. George Drake (george.drake@millersville.edu) with any questions about the positions on the ballot. **Nominations must be received by September 30, 2023.**

For more information on PAC-TE's Board of Directors, go to [this page](#).

BE SURE TO RENEW YOUR PAC-TE MEMBERSHIP

If your membership is through your college/university, ask your department leadership to renew its **Institutional Membership** with PAC-TE on our website. If you have an Individual Membership, e.g. Retired, Student, or an individual not covered by an institutional membership, please renew your Individual Membership at the Individual Membership [page](#) on our website.

Register Now for Fall Conference!

Earlybird Registration is Going On NOW-- save money and confirm your spot!

Please visit our website [page](#) to register for the annual fall conference, the Teacher Education Assembly (TEA). Additional Information is on the website page and in last month's PAC-TE *Update*. The dates are October 25-27, 2023, and the conference site is the same as last year--The Best Western Premiere The Central Hotel and Conference Center, Harrisburg.

A block of beautifully redecorated rooms is being held for PAC-TE conference attendees. You can contact the hotel directly at [\(717\) 561-2800](tel:7175612800).

TEA (Fall Conference) Registration costs:

- Members Early Bird (prior to October 1): \$175
- Members October 1-October 24: \$225



- Members On-site Registration: \$275
- Non-members up until October 24: \$275 (Tip: Join PAC-TE for \$60, and you'll get the member price and still save \$40)
- Non-members On-site Registration: \$300
- Student registration: Free if a PAC-TE Student Member; otherwise \$50

Let's try to attend and enjoy the opportunity to gather with other Teacher Educators.

EPLC LEADERSHIP PROGRAM FOR 2023-2024

Applications are available now for the 2023-2024 PA Education Policy Fellowship Program.

The Education Policy Fellowship Program is sponsored in Pennsylvania by The Education Policy and Leadership Center (EPLC).

The 2023-2024 Fellowship Program begins in September and includes:

- Two sessions to "set the stage" in mid-September
- Sixteen sessions with two sessions per month October to May
- A Team Policy Project with Fellows developing Public Policy Proposals for May presentation
- In-person two-day Regional Leadership Forum (with Michigan, New York and Ohio) at Gettysburg Battlefield and the Army War College in Carlisle
- In-person Day-in-Washington DC in April with briefings and lawmaker visits
- In-person Day-on-Hill in Harrisburg in May with briefings and lawmaker visits

2023-2024 Fellows also have the opportunity to earn Act 45 credits through EPLC's partnership with Shippensburg University.

The Fellowship Program will continue to be Pennsylvania's premier education policy leadership program for education, community, policy and advocacy leaders --- with more than 700 graduates since 1999.

Applications are being accepted now!

The **2023-2024 Application** can be submitted by mail to EPLC or scanned and e-mailed with the necessary signatures of applicant and sponsor.

If you would like to discuss any aspect of the Fellowship Program

Dates to Keep in Mind

Now thru September 30 – nominations for board positions

Now thru September 30 – Teacher Educator of the Year Nominations

Now thru October 1 – Early (reduced) pricing registration for Teacher Education Assembly (TEA)

October 25– 27, 2023 PAC–TE Teacher Education Assembly (in person), at Best Western Premier the Central Hotel & Conference Center, Harrisburg

March 20, 2024 – Spring Conference

PAC-TE is a state unit of AACTE and ATE



AACTE and PAC-TE collaborate to strengthen their advocacy efforts, share experience and expertise, and expand their members' professional development opportunities. To this end, our Chapter's relationship with AACTE is a voluntary affiliation that allows us to advance our members' interests.



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