



Pennsylvania Association of Colleges and Teacher Educators

## March 2023 Update

**It's Time to Spring into Action!  
Don't miss these seasonal ways to grow:**

1. **Register for Spring conference**
2. **Register for Teacher Education Day at the Capitol**
3. **Call for Proposals for Fall Conference**
4. **EPLC is recruiting interested participants**

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### **Spring Conference is Days Away!!!**

#### **PAC-TE Spring Conference March 22, 2023**

The Spring Conference Committee has developed a timely and practical one-day conference that requires no travel to attend. It's not too late to register.

Highlights:

- Keynote Speaker Troy Hutchings--national expert on professional ethics for educators
- Panel of Pennsylvania educators and consultants in each of the three new required competency areas.
- Six (6) sessions designed to inform, inspire, and involve you
- PDE update from Dr. Carissa Pokorny-Golden
- Opportunities to network with teacher education colleagues!
- Prizes

**You will get instructions for using/downloading**

**Whoava in an email sent upon registration.**

**[Click Here to Register Right Now](#)**



## **[Teacher Education Day details and registration Here](#)**



The 2023 Teacher Education Day (TED) in Harrisburg is on **Wednesday, April 26**, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. TED gives members and our students a chance to communicate with state legislators about the importance of supporting high quality teacher education. More instructions will be given at the Spring Conference or via email if you register. **Let us know if you plan to bring any students with you by sending an email** to [pacte.exec@gmail.com](mailto:pacte.exec@gmail.com).

## **[Call for Proposals for the Teacher Education Assembly \(TEA\) has been issued!](#)**

### **THIS is Us: Educators rooted in inquiry, action, and progress**

This year, the fall conference committee is seeking proposals that tell the story of teaching as a profession of advocacy and empowered action: deeply thoughtful yet unapologetic commitment to serving our students, our communities, and the value of our profession.

The 2023 TEA Conference theme, **THIS is Us**, invites teachers, teacher educators, and institutions to celebrate the journeys taken, contributions made, and victories earned during this period of radical transformation; regardless of the size, scope, or



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**We are also seeking your ideas for great**

perceived level of impact.

*Watch your email for a follow-up message with more details about proposal details and the strands of the conference.*

DEADLINE for proposal submissions is midnight, May 1, 2023. Review of proposals will take place between May 15 - June 1 with notice of acceptance/rejection going out by June 15, 2023. **CLICK HERE TO ACCESS PROPOSAL FORM**

**keynote speakers  
who can speak  
authentically to this  
exciting theme.  
Please contact  
Monique or Dipali  
with your  
suggestions.**

**You can cc  
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you wish.**



Dr. Kate Shaw

**Kate Shaw Returns to PDE to Lead  
the Office of Postsecondary and  
Higher Education**

Dr. Tanya Garcia has left PDE and her replacement started on March 13. Dr. Kate Shaw held the same position at PDE about 15 years ago, where she developed policy designed to strengthen teacher preparation, dual enrollment, college access, and the K-16 educational pipeline. She comes to PDE from her role as Senior Adviser for the Postsecondary Team at HCM Strategists. Prior to that she served as the Executive Director of Research for Action, a Philadelphia-based educational research firm that studies educational reform and innovation at the local, state, and national levels. PAC-TE looks forward to developing a good relationship with Dr. Shaw as we work together on issues of mutual importance.

**Stephanie Stauffer  
(sstaufer@pa.gov)  
has also returned to  
the Bureau of School  
Leadership and  
Teacher Quality as a  
liaison and grants  
administrator. She  
looks forward to  
working with  
everyone again.**

**The Education Policy Fellowship Program (EPFP) Seeks  
Members for its 2023/2024 Class**



The Education Policy Fellowship Program (EPFP) is a professional development program for individuals whose work record reflects strong leadership abilities and a concern for issues important to children and education.

[Click Here to Learn More](#)

Information about the 2023/2024 EPLC class can be found at their website: [eplc.org](http://eplc.org). Application info should be available on the website beginning in May.

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## Important Dates to Remember

**March 22 PAC-TE Spring Conference (virtual)**

**April 1- June 30 Renew your PAC-TE membership before June 30**

**April 26 Teacher Education Day at the State Capitol (in person)**

**October 25- 27 PAC-TE Teacher Education Assembly (in person), at Best Western Premier The Central Hotel & Conference Center, Harrisburg**

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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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