

## *DECEMBER UPDATE*

Enjoy your semester break!

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## *PAC-TE Board Election Results*

Our Board election had a full slate of candidates, and the margin of victory was narrow in many races. All members who voted are thanked for participating in the selection of new leaders. PAC-TE is only as strong and useful as its members. Newly elected Board members and officers are as follows:

Private Institutions: Briana Bronstein, Widener University

Public Institutions: Robin Drogan, Commonwealth University

At Large: Stephanie Long, Butler County Community College

Treasurer: Debbie Grubb, PennWest University

President-elect: Jim Preston, Slippery Rock University

Tamara Sniad, Temple University, will complete Jim Preston's unfinished term when he begins his term as President-elect.

Congratulations to all the winners.



## *Spring Conference Preparation in Full Swing*

Beatrice Adera and Ashley Rowe, Co-chairs of the 2024 Spring Conference invite you and other educators to our Spring Conference on March 20, 2024. The theme of the conference is "Making Creative, Clever, and Courageous Connections to Deepen the Pool ". The conference will highlight PAC-TE's desire to help members prepare pre-

service educators and internship certificate holders to meet the shortage of qualified educators without fear.

Dr. Rebecca West Burns is the keynote speaker, a role not new to her or to PAC-TE members. Dr. Burns is a nationally recognized leader in teacher education, having served in leadership positions for the National Association for Professional Development Schools, the American Education Research Association Professional Development Schools Research Special Interest Group and Supervision and Instructional Leadership Special Interest Group and the Council of Professors of Instructional Supervision. She also has received national recognition for her exemplary school-university collaboration and impact on urban education. Burns has authored and co-authored more than 60 publications, including four books, and has given more than 130 presentations in local, state, regional, national and international contexts. Dr. Burns currently serves as Dean of the College of Education at Kutztown University.

Other invited Pennsylvania educators will also be featured. They provide insights into a variety of supports that exist for novice teachers, such as PK-12 school support staff, i.e., counselors, psychologists, and social workers, and IHE support for cooperating teachers and school principals for more impactful teaching. With Dr. Burns, the breakout speakers will remind us how we can encourage future educators to take the plunge. They do not have to swim alone in the deep waters!

Attendees will have a choice of three (3) Breakout Sessions, repeated one time so that attendees can fully attend two of the three sessions. (Sessions will be recorded; attendees have access to the recordings for 30 days after the conference.)

PDE leaders from the Bureau of School Leadership and Teacher Quality will wrap up the conference with updates and answers to your questions.

The conference will be held on the Whova mobile event app, on Wednesday, March 20, 2024. If you've only used Whova on your smartphone, perhaps this conference gives you a chance to use the desktop version for more comfortable viewing. Whova is an all-in-one event management platform that enables remote attendees to participate and interact with each other. It also provides users with up-to-date event information, personalized agenda, live polls, and messages, as you attend from home, your office, or anywhere you can get Wi-Fi service using your computer, smart phone, or other devices. PAC-TE recognizes that not all members are comfortable with online apps, so tutorial guides are available at <https://whova.com/resources/how-to-guide/user-tutorial/>

**REGISTER [HERE](#). Conference fee is \$75 for PAC-TE members up**

to the day of the conference. Student registration is \$50, and non-members may register for \$100 now through 3/19/24 (\$125 on 3/20/24).

Registration on the day of the conference is \$100 for members, and \$125 for non-members.

As always, if you have forgotten your username or password, you can get help by clicking on the **Contact Us** button on the upper right side of the PAC-TE [homepage](#).

### **Whoava Frequently Asked Questions**

We've received a few common questions from conference attendees, so we wanted to share the answers with you.

1) Can I continue to use the Whoava app to keep in touch with fellow attendees?

Absolutely! You can follow up with the people you met or those you couldn't connect with during the event through in-app messages, e-business card requests, and Community posts.

2) Other than that, what can I do with the app? The fall conference is already over.

Receive updates about future events from your event organizers. In the near future if you attend any other events, you do not need to download the app again. So, keep and use the Whoava app as a central place to manage all of your event networking activities.

3) How long will the event information remain on the app?

We will keep the event information (e.g., agenda) for 3 months. However, your contacts, messages, and scanned cards will not be removed.



## ***PAC-TE Journal Call for Articles***

### **Fall Issue manuscripts due February 20**

PAC-TE's *Pennsylvania Teacher Educator* is seeking members' recent scholarly work. Our journal provides members a venue to capture current research that makes use of quantitative, qualitative, and/or mixed-methods approaches, as well as rigorous theoretical works that capture current research, advances, and changes in the emerging directions of teacher education. Publication decisions are made following a blind review process.

**To be included in the next edition, we need your article for review no later than February 20, 2024.**

### Submission Guidelines

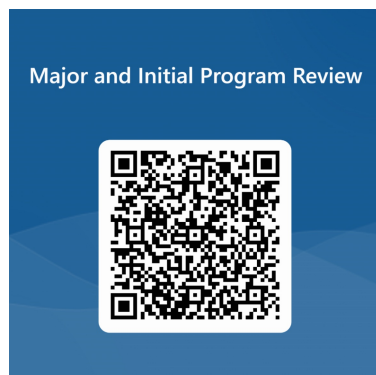
- Manuscripts should be no more than 12 pages of narrative (exclusive of references, tables, and appendices), using the latest APA style, and double-spaced with one-inch margins.
- Manuscripts should be submitted as an e-mail attachment, sent to PA Teacher Educator at [pacte.journal@sru.edu](mailto:pacte.journal@sru.edu).
- A cover page should include the title of the article, a brief (no more than 50-word) abstract, the name, position, place of employment, mailing address, phone number, e-mail address, and a 2-3 sentence description of background and experience of each author.
- The title of the article should also appear on page 1 of the manuscript, but do not include the name(s) of the author(s) on page 1.
- Pages should be numbered consecutively, including the bibliography, but the author's name should not appear on the manuscript itself.
- Charts or illustrative material will be accepted if space permits. Such materials must be camera-ready. Photographs will usually not be used, unless they are black and white and of high quality.
- Authors are expected to take full responsibility for the accuracy of the content in their articles, including references, quotations, tables, and figures. The editorial board reserves the right to edit articles accepted for publication.
- Authors of manuscripts accepted for publication are asked to sign a copyright release to PAC-TE. This allows PAC-TE to publish the information in the *Pennsylvania Teacher Educator*, to publish the information in future PAC-TE publications, and to grant permission to persons or organizations that formally request the right to reprint the material in whole or in part.
- Authors of manuscripts accepted for publication are also expected to make a presentation about their article at the PAC-TE Teacher Education Assembly in October.

There is no remuneration for articles accepted for publication, but a complimentary copy of the journal will be mailed to each author. There is no fee for the review of the manuscript.

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### CALL for MANUSCRIPT REVIEWERS

The *Pennsylvania Teacher Educator* is looking for teacher educators who are interested in becoming reviewers for the journal. Each manuscript that is submitted to the journal undergoes a blind review process from three peer reviewers. Consequently, we are always in need of good reviewers who return manuscripts to the editors in a timely fashion. Members who are interested in becoming a reviewer should contact [pacte.journal@sru.edu](mailto:pacte.journal@sru.edu)



### **PDE QR Codes**

If you were in attendance at the TEA in October, you may remember that Dr. Katina Moten, Chief of the Division of Professional Education and Teacher Quality, offered two QR Codes meant to connect you to forms that you can use to indicate your interest in serving on either a Major Review/Initial Program Review team or a workgroup that will examine the Program Framework Guidelines--the guidelines that govern the makeup of

Program Framework Guidelines



certification programs. We are providing those QR codes here. Scan the one you are interested in with a QR Reader to be taken to the appropriate form.



On behalf of PAC-TE's Executive Board

We wish you a safe and meaningful

**Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa,  
and New Year!**



## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

March 20, 2024-- Annual Spring Conference (Virtual)

October 23-25, 2024 -- Teacher Education Assembly (TEA)

**PAC-TE is a state unit of AACTE and ATE**



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