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Welcome back to the fall semester and a new year of PAC-TE membership!



With the beginning of a new academic year, your PAC-TE Board of Directors has changed its composition. We are pleased to share the names of the Board members:

Thank you, members of the Board of Directors!

Officers:

President: Tom Conway, Kutztown University
President-elect: Jim Preston, Slippery Rock University
Past President: John Ward, Kutztown University (Retired)
Executive Director: Joel Geary

Directors Representing Private Institutions:

Veronica Ent, St. Vincent College
Dana Reisboard, Widener University
Briana Bronstein, Widener University

Directors Representing Public Institutions:

Danielle Bowers, Penn State Harrisburg University
Karin Sprow Forté, Penn State Harrisburg University
Robin Drogan, Commonwealth University—Bloomsburg

At-large Directors:

Rachael Stevens, Marywood University
Stephanie Gardner, Commonwealth University—Bloomsburg
Amy Rogers, Lycoming College
Stephanie Long, Butler County Community College

Multiple institutions, one mission

Here is a list of PAC-TE member institutions as of August 30.

Arcadia University	Millersville University
Butler County Community College	Misericordia University
Cairn University	Moravian University
Carlow University	Mount Aloysius College
Cedar Crest College	Muhlenberg College
Chatham University	Neumann University
Commonwealth University	Penn State University-Harrisburg
Delaware Valley University	Robert Morris University
DeSales University	Saint Francis University
Drexel University	Saint Joseph's University
East Stroudsburg University	Saint Vincent College
Eastern University	Seton Hill University
Elizabethtown College	Shippensburg University
Gannon University	Slippery Rock University
Grove City College	Susquehanna University
Gwynedd Mercy University	Temple University
Immaculata University	University of Pittsburgh
Indiana University of Pennsylvania	University of Pittsburgh-Johnstown
Juniata College	University of Valley Forge
King's College	Waynesburg University
Lancaster Bible College	West Chester University of PA
Lebanon Valley College	Westminster College
Lehigh University	Widener University
Lycoming College	Wilkes University
Marywood University	York College of Pennsylvania
Messiah University	

If your institution is not listed, it is not too late to renew membership. Go to www.pac-te.org or contact joel@pac-te.org. We also welcome individual members, including those ineligible for institutional membership, students, retirees, and associate members. Membership is open to anyone related to the preparation of Pennsylvania educators.

PAC-TE is rolling out the red carpet for you at our Fall Conference, the Teacher Education Assembly (TEA)! Get ready for 81 exciting breakout sessions tailored to pump up your educator mojo. Want in on the action? Head to www.pac-te.org or drop a line to joel@pac-te.org to secure your spot!



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AND
**PA DEPARTMENT OF
EDUCATION**

53rd Annual Teacher Education Assembly

With 81 Breakout Sessions, there is something for every attendee! Come for the information; come for the networking with peers from all across the Commonwealth; come for the fabulous food—just come!

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Meeting on Thursday

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We've Got Awards to Give!

When one of our members deserves recognition, PAC-TE wants to know. We hope to present each of the following awards at our annual Awards Banquet, on Wednesday, October 23, 2024

The nomination forms are very simple and can be completed quickly. Deadline for all nominations is September 30. More information and

applications are available at <https://www.pac-te.org/i4a/pages/index.cfm?pageid=3298>.

A brief listing of awards to consider are:

Teacher Educator of the Year Award


Our top award given to the faculty member best exemplifying the values of teacher education.

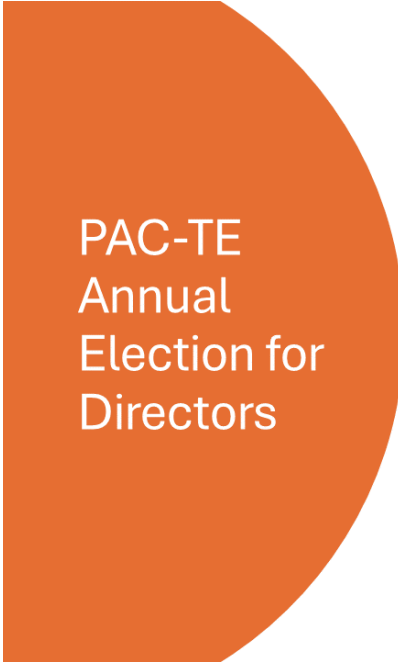
Distinguished Research Award given to an individual faculty member for outstanding empirical research.

Exemplary Service/Partnership Award recognizes the development of partnership programs that connect IHEs with basic education and community partners and recognizes activities that provide service to the field of education.


Outstanding Dissertation Award recognizes excellence in doctoral dissertation research that contributes to the field of educator preparation or professional teaching practice.

Of course we don't want to overlook our outstanding pre-service teachers! If you know of a deserving junior or senior teacher certification student, please consider nominating her/him/them for our **Executive Directors' Scholarship**. Given annually, this scholarship is awarded based on the application and criteria outlined at <https://www.pac-te.org/i4a/forms/index.cfm?id=24&pageid=3331&showTitle=1>





PAC-TE Annual Election for Directors

- This fall, PAC-TE seeks nominations for candidates interested in serving on the Board of Directors.
 - Some desired qualifications include familiarity with PAC-TE's mission & events, plus educator certification in Pennsylvania.
 - Please email John Ward, PAC-TE Past President and Chair of the Nominations Committee, at john.ward@live.kutztown.edu with any questions about the positions on the ballot. Nominations and candidate information/photos must be received by September 30, 2024.
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The terms for all four seats are three years and run from June 1, 2025, through May 31, 2028.

- One seat for a representative of a **Private** institution of higher education in Pennsylvania engaged in educator preparation. The current seat holder, Veronica Ent, is eligible for re-election.
- One seat for a representative of a **Public** institution of higher education in Pennsylvania engaged in educator preparation. Our association bylaws stipulate that at least one of three public seats must be held by a representative from a PASSHE institution, and a representative from a state-related institution (Pitt, Penn State, Temple, or Lincoln) must hold one. Since there is currently one Director from a PASSHE institution and one Director from a state-related institution, the nominee can be from either type of public institution. Current Director Danielle Bowers is up for re-election.
- Two seats for **At-Large** representatives. Candidates may come from any institution of higher education in Pennsylvania engaged in educator preparation. Current Director Rachael Stevens is up for re-election. Current Director Stephanie Gardner is not eligible for re-election as she is in the final year of her two-term limit and must sit out for at least one year before being re-elected to the Board.
- A special election for a **Treasurer**. This is a 3-year appointment and requires knowledge of bookkeeping, online banking, budgeting, and non-profit entities. The Treasurer receives a small stipend. Note: The Treasurer will begin serving immediately after the election results are known.



HERE ARE SOME DATES TO KNOW:

- September 30: Deadline for nominations for Awards, Election Nominees, and Executive Directors' Scholarship Awards.
- September 30: Last day for Early Bird pricing for the 53rd Annual TEA.
- October 23-25: PAC-TE Fall Conference (TEA) at [Best Western Premier The Central Hotel & Conference Center, 800 E Park Drive, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17111-2807](#) **If you are making a reservation, we have a group of rooms being held until 9/22/24. CALL the hotel instead of booking online. (717) 561-2800 Tell them you are with PAC-TE.**