WHO WE ARE

The American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (AACTE) is the leading voice on educator preparation. AACTE represents more than 800 postsecondary institutions with educator preparation programs dedicated to high-quality, evidence-based preparation that assures educators are ready to teach all learners.

WHAT WE DO

AACTE leads the field in advocating for and building capacity for high-quality educator preparation programs in a dynamic landscape. AACTE’s members across the country prepare educators to meet the needs of every learner through innovative practice, rigorous programs, and continuous improvement.

OUR PURPOSE

QUALITY

AACTE champions high-quality preparation that ensures the effectiveness, diversity, and readiness of professional educators to serve all students.

ADVOCACY

AACTE advocates for federal and state policies that enable institutions to pursue continuous improvement and innovation in educator preparation.

PARTNERSHIPS

AACTE advances partnerships between preparation programs and PK-12 institutions at every level to ensure educator preparation strengthens classroom instruction, supports local schools, and reflects student needs.

WE STRIVE TO

Accelerate meaningful improvement in educator preparation by promoting and supporting the adoption of high standards for accountability and assessment that are linked to PK-12 student outcomes.

Lead the charge to secure state and federal policy that advances high-quality student learning through educator preparation and development.

Launch and sustain systemwide initiatives to promote the diversity of the professional community and to prepare educators who can serve diverse learners.

Advance implementation of high-quality learning practices.

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