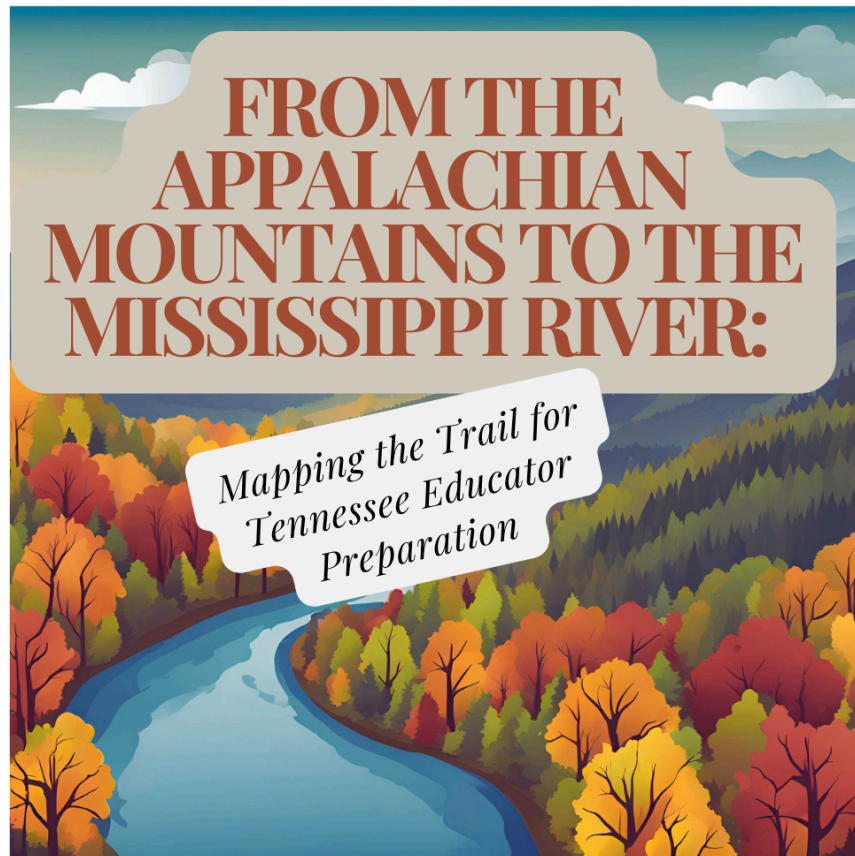




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TIME	SESSION	SPEAKERS	LOCATION
8:30 – 10:00	Registration & Conference Items	Step 1: (Table by Doors) Chris Brown & Ronda Blevins Step 2: (Counter) Annie Insana & Clinton Smith	Foyer
10:00 – 10:10	TACTE Welcome	Drs. Sharen Cypress, President & Robyn Ridgley, President-Elect	Main Room (Salon 5/6)
10:10 – 10:15	BREAK		
Breakout 1 10:15 – 11:00 <i>(See Abstract for details)</i>	Understanding Tennessee's Educator Labor Market	Peter Tang, Senior Director of Research, State Collaborative on Reforming Education  <small>State Collaborative on Reforming Education</small>	Main Room (Salon 5-6)
	CAEP Update: Everything Everywhere All at Once	Dr. Malina Monaco, Senior Vice President for Accreditation, Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation Dr. Jennifer Nelson, Senior Director of Educator Preparation, Tennessee Department of Education  <small>Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation</small>	Franklin
	Advocacy Group	Dr. Jim McIntyre, TACTE Advocacy Coordinator; Dean of the College of Education and Assistant Provost for Academic Excellence, Belmont University	Williamson
	Leveraging the Aspiring Teacher Rubric to Enhance Educator Preparation Programs	Dr. Ruhi Khan, Director of Educator Pipeline, National Institute for Excellence in Teaching  <small>NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING</small>	Saddlebred/ Highland

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Breakout 1 10:15 – 11:00 <i>(See Abstract for details)</i>	Intersecting Intelligence: Building Educator Understanding of Cognitive Science and Generative AI	Benjamin Riley, J.D., Founder and CEO, Cognitive Resonance Dr. Emily Holtz, University of Tennessee-Knoxville	Mustang/ Quarterhorse
	Empowering Tomorrow's Teachers: Key Principles for Advising Education Majors	Amanda Chambers, Student Success Coordinator, University of Tennessee Chattanooga	Salon 1
	Supporting Non-Traditional, Job-Embedded Teacher Candidates: Strategies for Success	Dr. Sarah Harris, Assistant Professor of Education, Tennessee Wesleyan University	Salon 2
	COPS: A Foundation for Trauma-Informed Practices	Dr. Jasmine Johnson, Associate Professor, Southern Adventist University Dr. Courtney Golden, Oakwood University	Salon 3
	Day 1 Readiness: Myth or Reality	Dr. Rhea Carmon, Math Program Facilitator, UT-PLAYS Math, University of Tennessee Knoxville Dr. Cheryl Robertson, Grow Your Own Program Coordinator, University of Tennessee Knoxville	Salon 4
11:00 – 11:10 BREAK			
Sponsor Breakout 11:10 – 11:55 <i>(See Abstract for details)</i>	The Praxis Advantage: Harnessing Free Resources for Program and Candidate Growth	Lisa Colon Durham, Director, Educational Partnerships, Educational Testing Services 	Main Room (Salon 5-6)
	Improving Teacher Diversity by Removing Barriers to Licensure	Jill Lentz, Senior Manager, Strategic Partnerships, Study.com 	Franklin





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<p align="center">Sponsor Breakout 11:10 – 11:55 <i>(See Abstract for details)</i></p>	<p>Pearson Assessments Updates</p>	<p>Kellie Crawford, Associate Vice President of State Partnerships, Pearson</p> <p>Dr. Tracie Vegh, Educational Program Manager, Pearson</p> 	<p align="center">Williamson</p>
	<p>Breaking Down Certification Barriers with Exam Preparation</p>	<p>Robert Parker, Manager of Strategic Partnerships, 240 Tutoring</p>  <p align="center"><small>www.240tutoring.com</small></p>	<p align="center">Saddlebred/ Highland</p>
	<p>National Accreditation through AAQEP</p>	<p>Sungti Hsu, Chief Relationship Officer, Association for Advancing Quality in Educator Preparation</p> 	<p align="center">Mustang/ Quarterhorse</p>
	<p>Using Evidence-Based Scoring to Renovate Teacher Candidate Certification</p>	<p>Dr. Christopher Moersch, Executive Director, LoTi Connection</p> 	<p align="center">Salon 1</p>
	<p>Empowering Teacher Candidates: Strategies to Boost Success on Certification Exams and Address Enrollment & Program Retention Challenges</p>	<p>Dr. Jason Ampel, Founder, The Learning Liaisons</p> 	<p align="center">Salon 2</p>


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Sponsor Breakout 11:10 – 11:55 <i>(See Abstract for details)</i>	Harnessing the Benefits of Video-Enhanced Feedback and Artificial Intelligence to Support Teacher Candidate Reflection	Emir Plicanic, General Manager, Vosaic 	Salon 3
	Your Travel Partner for Navigating the Trail of Tennessee Educator Preparation	Tommie Leaders, Instructional Advocacy Coordinator and Aspiring Educator Organizer, Tennessee Education Association Beth Brice, Manager of Instructional Advocacy and Communications, Tennessee Education Association 	Salon 4
11:55 – 1:00 <i>**See Menu Provided**</i>	LUNCH Sponsored by ETS <i>Business Meeting and Message from Commissioner</i>		Main Room (Salon 5-6)
Panel 1 1:00 – 1:45		Dr. Diarese George, Founder & Executive Director, Tennessee Educators of Color Alliance Male Teachers of Color (MTOC), Hamilton County Schools	Main Room (Salon 5-6)
1:45 – 1:55 BREAK			
Breakout 2 1:55 – 2:40 <i>(See Abstract for details)</i>	Collaborating for Success: Increasing Access to Practice-Based, Instructionally-Focused Pathways in Teacher Preparation	Patrick Steck, Vice President for External Affairs, Deans for Impact Dr. Amber Willis, Vice President of Program, Deans for Impact Dr. Jennifer Nelson, Senior Director of Educator Preparation, Tennessee Department of Education 	Main Room (Salon 5-6)

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Breakout 2 1:55 – 2:40 <i>(See Abstract for details)</i>	Understanding Tennessee's Educator Labor Market	Peter Tang, Senior Director of Research, State Collaborative on Reforming Education 	Franklin
	Facilitating Evidence-Based Practices through University Partnerships: One School's Journey from Exploration to Sustainability	Dr. Jason Gordon, Assistant Professor, University of Tennessee Chattanooga Dr. Jennifer Lynberg, Assistant Professor, University of Tennessee Chattanooga Dr. Tara Moore, Associate Department Head & Associate Professor, University of Tennessee Knoxville	Williamson
	AI: The Ultimate Travel Companion for Educators and Teacher Preparation	Dr. Abbie McClure, Assistant Professor, University of Tennessee Martin Lauren Campbell, Lecturer of Educational Studies, University of Tennessee Martin	Saddlebred/ Highland
	One Dataset to Rule Them All: A Systematic Approach to CAEP Accreditation	Katie McGrath, Director of Accreditation and Assessment / Certification Officer, Southern Adventist University	Mustang/ Quarterhorse
	Leveraging Instructional Coaching to Accelerate Pre-Service and Early Career Teacher Development	Dr. Megan Salemi, Director, Memphis Teacher Residency Dr. Yolunda Beale, Director of Coaching, Memphis Teacher Residency	Salon 1
	Redesign: Collaborating to Build and Revise Programs	Dr. Nichelle C. Robinson, Director of Office of Teacher Education & Clinical Practice, University of Memphis Dr. Sandra Cooley-Nichols, Chair of Instruction Curriculum Leadership, University of Memphis	Salon 2
	Empowering Job-Embedded Students: Enhancing Career Readiness through Praxis Bootcamps	Dr. Aundrea McFall, Director of Special Education, Freed-Hardeman University Dr. Karen Sewell, Director of the M.A.T. and M.Ed. in Curriculum Instruction, Freed-Hardeman University	Salon 3
	Teaching Teacher Candidates about Dyslexia	Dr. John Lancaster, Professor of Behavioral Sciences, University of Tennessee Southern	Salon 4

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2:40 – 2:50	BREAK		
2:50 – 3:35	Tennessee Department of Education Office of Educator Licensure and Preparation Update		Main Room (Salon 5/6)
3:35 – 3:40	BREAK		
Panel 2 3:40 – 4:15	Advocacy Panel		Main Room (Salon 5/6)
4:15 - 4:30	Door Prize Drawing		


View the abstracts for breakout sessions here:



We are excited to announce that day two of the conference will be Spirit Day! We encourage all members to wear a T-shirt, sweatshirt, or any apparel that represents your institution. This fun activity will not only enhance our conference experience but also help us quickly identify the various institutions represented. Let’s show our school pride and make this day memorable!

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7:30 – 8:30	TAILACTE Business Meeting	Amy Downey, TAILACTE President	Williamson
8:00 – 9:00	Breakfast Sponsored by Study.com <i>**See Menu Provided**</i>	 Study.com	Salon 5
9:00 – 9:50	Regional, Affiliate, & TACTE 101 Sessions	East Tennessee: Dr. Miriam Stroder, TACTE East Tennessee Representative, Dean of College of Education, Tusculum University	Salon 5
		Middle Tennessee: Dr. Megan Parker-Peters, TACTE Middle Tennessee Representative, Interim Associate Dean and the Director of Accreditation, Assessment, and Research, Lipscomb University	Williamson
		West Tennessee: Julie Alexander, TACTE West Tennessee Representative, Assessment Coordinator, University of Tennessee Martin	Franklin
		Residency Programs: Matt Cheek, Executive Director of Nashville Teacher Residency	Salon 1
		Community Colleges: Stacie Bradshaw, TACTE Community College Representative, Associate Professor of Education, Roane State Community College	Salon 2
		TACTE 101: New Attendee Information - Dr. Kim Hawkins, Dean, Carson-Newman University and Dr. David Cihak, University of Tennessee-Knoxville, TACTE Past-President	Mustang/ Quarterhorse
9:50 - 10:00	BREAK		
Breakout 3 10:00 – 10:50 (See Abstract for details)	Teacher Code of Ethics & License Discipline: What Students Need to Know	P. Danielle Nellis, J.D., Deputy General Counsel, Tennessee State Board of Education	Main Room (Salon 5)
	Accreditation/Data Job-Alike	Dr. Amelia Brown, Director of Office of Professional Licensure, University of Tennessee Knoxville	Franklin

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Breakout 3 10:00 – 10:50 (See Abstract for details)	Retaining Male Teachers of Color (MTOC) in Hamilton County Schools	Dr. Cheryl McCray, Induction Specialist, Hamilton County Schools Dr. Jerica Johnson-Hall, Human Resources Business Partner, Hamilton County Schools Dr. MaryBeth Sanders, Grow Your Own Facilitator, Hamilton County Schools Dr. Lorraine Hernandez, New Teacher Coach, Hamilton County Schools	Williamson
	Using AI for the Power of Good in the Classroom	Dr. Ronda Blevins, Assistant Professor and Director of Job-Embedded Practitioner Program, Carson-Newman University	Saddlebred/ Highland
	Navigating Recent Changes: A Guide to 2024 Ed Prep and Licensure Updates	Educator Preparation and Educator Licensure Teams, Tennessee Department of Education	Mustang/ Quarterhorse
	The Development of a Job Embedded Portfolio and Rubric	Dr. Jason Gordon, Assistant Professor, University of Tennessee Chattanooga Dr. Ginger Christian, Assistant Professor, East Tennessee State University	Salon 1
	Guiding the Next Generation: The Impact of Mentorship on Student and Job-Embedded Teachers	Erin Alvarado, Humanities Specialist for Rutherford Teach Now, Rutherford County Schools Dr. Amber Matuszewski, Rutherford Teach Now Lead Math/Science Specialist, Rutherford County Schools	Salon 2
	How to Help Pre-Service Teachers Implement DEI in Rural School Settings	Dr. Beth Stratton, Associate Professor, University of Tennessee Martin	Salon 3
	Flipped Model of Instruction Utilizing Foundational Skills Integrated Content Modules	Dr. Zoi Traga Philippakos, Associate Professor of Literacy, University of Tennessee Knoxville Amanda Hufstedler, Lecturer, University of Tennessee, Knoxville	Salon 4

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10:50 - 11:00	BREAK		
Breakout 4 11:00 – 11:50	Deans/Directors/Chairs	Dr. Robyn R, TACTE President-Elect, Associate Dean, College of Education, Middle Tennessee State University Dr. Sharen Cypress, TACTE President, Dean, College of Education & Behavioral Sciences, Freed-Hardeman University	Main Room (Salon 5)
	Job-Embedded	Dr. Shane Brown, Director of Teacher Education, Field Experiences, & Certification, Lee University Dr. Ronda Blevins, Assistant Professor of Education and Director of Job-Embedded Practitioner Program, Carson-Newman University	Franklin
	Literacy	Dr. Annie Insana, Director of Clinical Practice and Assistant Professor Literacy, Belmont University	Williamson
	Advisors	Amanda Chambers, Student Success Coordinator, University of Tennessee Chattanooga	Saddlebred
	edTPA	Dr. Tiffany Dellard, Executive Director, College of Education, Middle Tennessee State University	Mustang/ Quarterhorse
	Certification/Licensing Officers	Kevin Fee, Coordinator of Teacher Licensure, Austin Peay State University	Salon 1
	Faculty (Non-Staff/Administrative Role)	Dr. Jeremy Wendt, Professor and Chair of the Department of Curriculum and Instruction, Tennessee Tech University	Salon 2
	Instructional Leadership (Education Administration)	Dr. Amy Downey, Department Chair of Education and Interim Director of Instructional Leadership, Freed-Hardeman University	Salon 3
	Clinical Experience Coordinators	Dr. Nichelle Robinson, Director of Office of Teacher Education and Clinical Practice, University of Memphis	Salon 4
	Community Colleges	Community Colleges: Stacie Bradshaw, TACTE Community College Representative, Associate Professor of Education, Roane State Community College	Palomino

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12:00 - 3:00	Tennessee Grow Your Own Session (RSVP Required)		Highland/ Morgan

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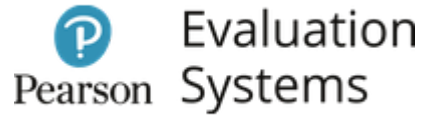


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