

34 Schools from 15 States, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico Recognized for National Excellence in Educator Prep

549 programs from 43 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Bahrain, Jordan, Oman, Qatar, and the United Arab Emirates now meeting CAEP's rigorous, national accreditation standards to better prepare tomorrow's teachers

WASHINGTON – Today, the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation announced that 34 providers from 15 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico earned accreditation for their educator preparation programs (EPPs). These providers join those previously accredited in promoting excellence in educator preparation, which currently totals 549 total CAEP accredited providers

The CAEP Accreditation Council held its Spring 2025 review in April, during which 34 providers were approved under the rigorous, nationally recognized CAEP Teacher Preparation Standards.

“These providers meet high standards so that their students receive an education that prepares them to succeed in a diverse range of classrooms after they graduate,” said CAEP President Dr. Christopher A. Koch. “Seeking CAEP Accreditation is a significant commitment on the part of an educator preparation provider.”

CAEP is a nationally recognized accrediting body for educator preparation. Accreditation is a nongovernmental activity based on peer review that serves the dual functions of assuring quality and promoting improvement. CAEP was created by the consolidation of the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education and the Teacher Education Accreditation Council. It is a unified accreditation system intent on raising the performance of all providers focused on educator preparation.

Educator preparation providers seeking accreditation must pass peer review of the CAEP standards, which are based on two principles:

1. Solid evidence that the provider's graduates are competent and caring educators, and
2. Solid evidence that the provider's educator staff have the capacity to create a culture of evidence and use it to maintain and enhance the quality of the professional programs they offer.

If a program fails to meet one of the five standards, it is placed on probation for two years. Probation may be lifted in two years if a program provides evidence that it meets the standard. Including EPPs approved in Spring 2025, receiving CAEP accreditation, the total number of CAEP-accredited providers is 549. These schools span across 43 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Bahrain, Jordan, Oman, Qatar, and the United Arab Emirates.

Class of Spring 2025:

Alabama A&M University
Arkansas State University
Central Baptist College
Connecticut Alternate Route to Certification
Dickinson State University
Eastern Kentucky University
Florida A&M University
Franciscan University of Steubenville
Hampton University
Indiana University- Purdue University Columbus
Indiana Wesleyan University
Kean University
Lindsey Wilson College
Malone University
McNeese State University
Minot State University
Mitchell College
Morris College
New Jersey City University
Nicholls State University
Oakwood University
Pittsburg State University
Saint Mary's College
Union Adventist University
Universidad De Puerto Rico-Rio Piedras Campus
University of Alaska Southeast
University of Indianapolis
University of Louisiana at Monroe
University of Nebraska at Kearney
University of Puerto Rico Aguadilla
University of South Carolina
University of the District of Columbia
University of West Florida
Youngstown State University

*The **Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation** (www.CAEPnet.org) advances excellence in educator preparation through evidence-based accreditation that assures quality and supports continuous improvement to strengthen- P-12 student learning.*