**55 Schools from 28 States and the United Arab Emirates Recognized**

**for National Excellence in Educator Prep**

*507 programs in 44 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Jordan and UAE 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 55 providers from 28 states and the United Arab Emirates earned accreditation for their educator preparation programs (EPPs). These providers join the growing number of providers accredited in promoting excellence in educator preparation, bringing the total of CAEP-accredited EPPs to 507.

The CAEP Accreditation Council held its Fall 2022 review in October, during which 55 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 is a unified accreditation system intent on raising the performance of all providers focused on educator preparation. More then 600 educator preparation providers participate in the CAEP Accreditation system.

Educator preparation providers seeking accreditation must pass peer review on 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 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. The addition of EPPs receiving CAEP accreditation for the first time to those previously accredited brings the total number of CAEP-accredited providers to 507. These schools span 44 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Jordan and UAE.

Fall Class of 2022

Al Ain University—United Arab Emirates

Albertus Magnus College—Connecticut

Alcorn State University—Mississippi

Asbury University—Kentucky

Central Connecticut University

Christian Brothers University—Tennessee

East Carolina University—North Carolina

East Stroudsburg University—Pennsylvania

Elon University—North Carolina

Fayetteville State University—North Carolina

Ferrum College—Virginia

Florida Atlantic University

Frostburg State University—Maryland

George Washington University—District of Columbia

Georgia Southern University

Grace College—Indiana

Hollins University—Virginia

Keene State College—New Hampshire

Liberty University—Virginia

Lindenwood University—Missouri

Lourdes University—Ohio

Martin University—Indiana

Minnesota State University—Moorhead

Mississippi State University

Missouri Western University

Mount Vernon Nazarene University—Ohio

North Carolina A & T State University

North Carolina Central University

North Carolina State University

Northwest Nazarene University—Idaho

Notre Dame of Maryland University

Ohio Christian University

Oklahoma State University

Presbyterian College—South Carolina

Rowan University—New Jersey

Rutgers University-Newark—New Jersey

Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania

Southeastern Louisiana University

Southwestern College—Kansas

SUNY Buffalo State—New York

Sweet Briar College—Virginia

The University of Memphis—Tennessee

The University of Michigan-Flint

The University of Mississippi

The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

University of Connecticut

University of Montana-Missoula

University of Montevallo—Alabama

University of North Carolina Wilmington

University of Richmond—Virginia

University of South Carolina Beaufort

West Chester University of Pennsylvania

Williams Baptist University—Arkansas

Winston-Salem State University—North Carolina

Wittenberg University—Ohio

*The* ***Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation*** *(*[*www.CAEPnet.org*](http://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.*