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New Educator Preparation Programs Accredited by State

SACRAMENTO – Thirteen new programs to prepare school administrators, school psychologists, special education teachers, and elementary and secondary teachers were accredited last week by California’s Committee on Accreditation. Graduates of the new programs will join the ranks of credentialed educators serving in public schools.

The Committee on Accreditation is a sub-group appointed by the state’s Commission on Teacher Credentialing (Commission). It is responsible for ensuring that preparation programs for certificated personnel in California’s public schools meet standards set by the Commission. COA members are appointed from institutions of higher education and from the K-12 schools. All members have expertise in their area of education and all volunteer their time to participate in this important endeavor.

“Ensuring rigorous and relevant preparation for our K-12 teachers, administrators, counselors and other school personnel is paramount to providing California’s students with the education they need and deserve,” said Lynne Cook, Co-Chair of the Committee on Accreditation. Cook is the Dean of Education at California State University, Dominguez Hills.

Co-Chair Dana Griggs, Education Consultant to the San Bernardino County Office of Education and recently retired Assistant Superintendent of Ontario-Montclair School District, stated, “These new programs are greatly needed due to the oncoming retirements of baby boomers.” She also noted that programs initially meet the accreditation standards and then become part of a comprehensive cycle of reporting that includes ongoing review and site visits by teams of experts.

The newly accredited programs are listed below:

Administrative Services Credential

California State University, Fresno
San Francisco State University
Fresno Pacific University
California State University, Chico

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Education Specialist Credential (Special Education)

Fresno Pacific University
Stanislaus County Office of Education
California Baptist University (Riverside, San Bernardino)
California Lutheran University (Thousand Oaks)
California State University, San Marcos

Pupil Personnel Services (School Psychology) Credential

Phillips Graduate Institute (Encino)

Single Subject Credential (Middle and Secondary School)

Mount St. Mary's College - Internship Program (Los Angeles)

Programs of Professional Preparation for the District Internship Credential

REACH Teacher Intern Credential Program (Bay Area)
Multiple Subject District Internship (Elementary School)
Single Subject District Internship (Middle and Secondary School)

For further information about educator preparation program accreditation, please see:
<http://www.ctc.ca.gov/educator-prep/program-accred.html>

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