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To: Local Educational Agency Leads, Administrators of Approved Private Schools for

Students with Disabilities

Route To: Building Administrators, Directors of Guidance, Special Education Directors, Child

Study Team Members, Teachers

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Division of Educational Services

New Teacher Academy: "Empowering Educators. Inspiring Generations."

The Office of Special Education (OSE) is excited to introduce a two–day professional learning event "2025 New Teacher Academy (NTA)" at the Learning Resource Center Central (LRC-Central) in Trenton, NJ. The theme for the NTA, "*Empowering Educators*. *Inspiring Generations*," reflects the OSE's commitment to fostering the growth and success of early-career educators.

The NTA is designed to offer high-quality, impactful professional learning experiences that support educators in their first through third years of teaching. This year's NTA emphasizes research-based, high-leverage, and inclusive practices, featuring engaging, practical activities tailored to meet the needs of new teachers across various educational settings. In addition to the in-person learning opportunity, participants will be invited to attend four virtual professional learning community (PLC) meetings. Each session is designed to build on topics introduced during the summer academy and provide ongoing support throughout the school year. Register early as spots are limited. Please see the following details below for more information:

Two-Day Summer Academy

Dates: Monday, July 28 and Tuesday, July 29

Time: 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Location: LRC - Central (200 Riverview Plaza, Trenton, NJ 08625)

Modality: In-person

Professional Learning Community (PLC)

Dates: October 23, 2025, December 18, 2025, March 19, 2026, and May 21, 2026

Time: 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. Modality: Virtual Meeting

How to Access and Register for the New Teacher Academy

Interested candidates are invited to visit the <u>New Teacher Academy website</u> and complete the <u>registration form</u>.

Contact Information

For questions, please contact the Office of Special Education at $\underline{\mathsf{TAEdServices@doe.nj.gov}}.$

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