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

Students with Disabilities

Route To: Building Administrators, Director of Special Services, Instructional Coaches,

Teachers

From: Kathy Ehling, Assistant Commissioner

Division of Educational Services

Call for Applicants for the New Teacher Academy

The New Jersey Department of Education's (NJDOE) Office of Special Education (OSE), in collaboration with Rowan University, is pleased to invite first-through third-year teachers to apply for the 2025 Learning Resource Center South (LRC-South) *New Teacher Academy (NTA)*. Accepted applicants will join the LRC-South NTA professional learning community, starting with a three-day summer academy at Rowan University on August 12, 13, and 14.

Through this immersive experience, participants will gain valuable insights from returning NTA members, learn about the services offered by LRC-South, and engage in quality professional learning sessions on key themes that include: belonging and community support, creating responsive learning environments and partnerships, utilizing Inclusive instructional strategies, and student supports.

The NTA professional learning community continues throughout the academic year, with monthly virtual meetings to foster ongoing support and professional growth. For additional information, please visit the <u>LRC-South webpage</u>.

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