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## **Stockton Teacher Certification Programs Earn National Accreditation**

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**Galloway Twp., NJ** – The teacher certification programs of the School of Education at the Richard Stockton College of New Jersey have been awarded New Program Accreditation by the Teacher Education Accreditation Council (TEAC), a national accrediting body recognized by the United States Department of Education.

Dr. David Carr, Provost at Stockton stated, "This achievement reflects Stockton College's consistent record of excellence in both programmatic and institutional accreditation."

Stockton faculty, staff, and administrators have been working toward earning national accreditation since 2003. More than 1,200 teaching certificates and endorsements have been earned at Stockton during this time period.

"This accreditation represents the culmination of years of work toward ensuring high quality, accountable, state-of-the art teacher education programs," said Dr. Harvey Kesselman, Stockton's Dean of Education.

Specifically, TEAC has awarded New Program Accreditation to the post-baccalaureate initial certification program, which certifies new teachers in elementary, middle, and secondary school subjects, and the Master of Arts in Education (MAED) program, which helps certified teachers earn additional state endorsements in special education, middle school subjects, and instructional supervision.

Founded in 1997, TEAC is a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving academic degree programs for professional educators, those individuals who will teach and lead in schools, pre-K through grade 12. TEAC's goal is to support the preparation of competent, caring, and