

Tim A. Hire, County Superintendent of Schools Schools June 29, 2022

Over 250 teachers and administrators recommended for new credentials through NTLD program



This summer, the New Teacher & Leadership Development Program (NTLD) is recommending to the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC) over 250 teachers and administrators for a variety of new credentials.

This year, 32 teachers completed their Tier 1 or Tier 2 administrative credentials through the iLead Program. The IMPACT Program is recommending 74 candidates for multiple subject, single subject, and education specialist preliminary teaching credentials, while the Teacher Induction Program is recommending 140 candidates for clear teaching credentials. The Career Technical Education (CTE) Program has 28 individuals who have completed their preliminary or clear CTE credentials.

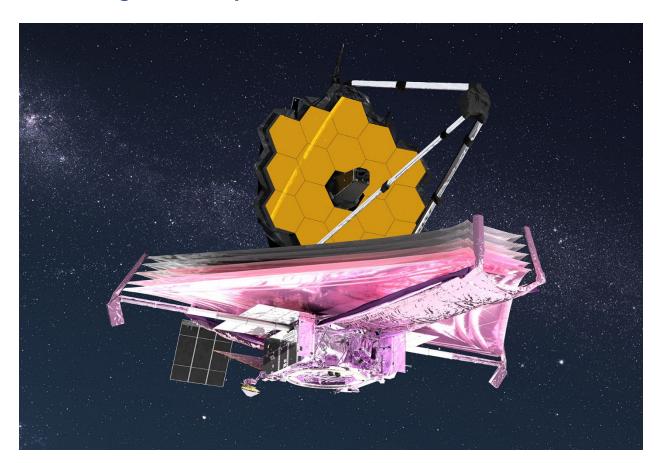
NTLD is an alternative certification program authorized by the CTC to provide coursework necessary to complete a variety of credentials. For 20 years, NTLD has offered an increasing array of credential programs. The first two interns completed the program in 2003, earning multiple subject credentials. In the past five years, the number of graduates has nearly doubled, from 141 in 2017 to 274 in 2022.

"It's remarkable to see how NTLD has grown, while at the same time staying true to their mission to accommodate the busy working schedules of local educators earning their credentials," said Tulare County Superintendent of Schools Tim Hire.

Teachers interested enrolling in the IMPACT Program to earn a multiple subject credential, an education specialist credential, or a single subject credential in either mathematics or science, may be eligible to receive a Golden State Teacher Grant. The grant, which carries a maximum award of \$20,000, is given to teacher candidates enrolled in specific credential programs and can be used to pay for the cost of the coursework.

For more information about the teaching and administrative credentials offered by NTLD and the Golden State Teacher Grant, call (559) 624-1035, or visit tcoe.org/NTLD.

Planetarium & Science Center holding public event to view images from space



If you've ever wondered what you would see at the edge of space and time, TCOE's Planetarium & Science Center has an answer!

Get a front row view of the cosmos when NASA reveals the first images from the James Webb Space Telescope in its mission to see the edges of the universe. The public is invited to the Planetarium on Friday, July 15 for a unique viewing experience that features a display of the first images in a gallery-style exhibition. NASA Solar System Ambassador Craig Alameda will also be on hand to answer questions. The exhibition is included with admission to the July 15 planetarium show Two Small Pieces of Glass: The Amazing Telescope.

Webb is NASA's largest and most powerful space science telescope ever constructed. Over a million miles from Earth, Webb will directly observe a part of space and time never seen before. It will gaze into the period when the very first stars and galaxies formed, over 13.5 billion years ago. Scientists will use Webb to study planets and other bodies in our solar system to determine their origin and evolution, and compare them with exoplanets, planets that orbit other stars. Webb will also observe exoplanets located in their stars' habitable zones, the regions where a planet could harbor liquid water on its surface, and can determine if and where signatures of habitability may be present.

Visitors to the Planetarium can learn about the history and science behind telescopes in a showing of Two Small Pieces of Glass: The Amazing Telescope, and get hands-on with science through activities and crafts for curious scientists of all ages.

Doors to the Planetarium will open at one hour before show time for the gallery exhibition and activities. For ticket prices and show times for Two Small Pieces of Glass, visit tcoe.org/Planetarium/PublicShows.

For more information on the James Webb Space Telescope, visit www.nasa.gov/Webb. Photo above:

~ Artist conception of NASA's James Webb Space Telescope. Credit: NASA GSFC/CIL/Adriana Manrique Gutierrez

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