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Dear Colleagues:

We are at the beginning of another academic year. It remains true that NYSATE is only as strong as its membership base. The greater the number of members engaged in the discourse surrounding educational issues and policies, the greater the likelihood that our united voice will be heard. A link is attached for membership <http://nys-ate.org/join.html>. You can also register to attend the NYSATE/NYACTE fall pre-conference and conference from October 14-16, 2015 in Saratoga Springs. You will find a copy of the conference registration form on the NYSATE webpage at (<http://nys-ate.org/index.html>). Below are the pre-conference and conference agenda highlights.

**Pre-Conference:** Moving Ahead Together in Educator Preparation

**Agenda:**

- Education Deans & Directors meeting with NYSED Deputy Commissioner of Higher Education John D'Agati,
- Education Deans, Directors, Faculty and Certification Officers meeting with Ann Jasinki
- Education Deans, Directors, Faculty and Certification Officers meeting with Jim Connolly on Results Analyzer

**Conference Theme:** Developing a Critical Consciousness to Affect Change in Teacher Education

**Keynotes:**

- Thursday: NYSED Commissioner of Education, Mary Ellen Elia; Deb Eldridge, CAEP; NYS Teacher of the Year
- Friday: Lance Tomei and Legislative Efforts with State Officials

Awards are given out at the NYSATE/NYACTE Conference. Please nominate worthy individuals or programs. You will find information on conference awards on the website.

- R Neal Appleby Distinguished Teacher Educator Award <http://nys-ate.org/about/awards/appleby.html>
- Distinguished Program Award in Teacher Education <http://nys-ate.org/about/awards/program.html>
- Charles Mackey Award <http://nyacte.org/award/mackey.html>

Please join and looking forward to seeing you in Saratoga Springs.

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