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National Council of Teachers of English Fund Announces 2018 Teachers for the Dream Affiliate Award

The **New Jersey Council of Teachers of English** is one of five recipients of the 2018 NCTE Fund Teachers for the Dream Affiliate Award given by the National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE).

New Jersey Council president Audrey Fisch of Westfield reports that the affiliate will focus on addressing and supporting underrepresented teachers of color in New Jersey and within their own organization.

The NCTE Fund Teachers for the Dream Affiliate Award presents grants to affiliates of NCTE that initiate a program that will recruit teachers of color into the affiliate or the profession. Judges look for programs that are thorough and that have the potential to recruit and retain teachers of color into the profession and the affiliate.

Studies have demonstrated the need for recruitment strategies to meet the growing shortage of teachers of color in elementary and secondary American schools where the multiethnic student population continues to increase and will soon be the majority of students. In response to this need, the NCTE Fund offers grants of up to \$750 each to selected affiliates that submit proposals to implement recruitment initiatives for teachers of color during the school year of the award.

The award winners will be announced at the 2018 NCTE Annual Convention in Houston, during the Affiliate Roundtable Breakfast on Sunday, November 18.

For more information about the NCTE Fund Teachers for the Dream Award, see <http://www2.ncte.org/awards/affiliate-ncte-fund-teachers-for-the-dream/>.

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For more information about the NJCTE Teachers for the Dream program, stay tuned to our website and/or blog and/or reach out to NJCTE President Audrey Fisch, njctepresident@gmail.com.

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