

GUAM COMMISSION FOR EDUCATOR CERTIFICATION
FY2025 3rd Quarter Travel Report
April 1, 2025 - June 30, 2025
Public Law 37-125 Chapter XIII, Part II, Section 17

Member Name	Position	Source of Funding	Purpose	Cost
Dr. Lisa Cooper-Nurse	Member	Collection Fee Account	To attend the National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education & Certification Annual conference, Charlotte, North Carolina, June 15-17, 2025	\$3863.60
*****Nothing Follows*****				

96th Annual Conference

Trip Report

Lisa Cooper-Nurse, GCEC Member

The NASDTEC 96th Annual Conference was held on June 15 -17, 2025 in Charlotte, North Carolina at the Omni Charlotte Hotel.

The following sessions were attended:

Sunday, June 15, 2025

- Empowering for Success: CCSSO Updates / Navigating Large Education Agencies and Fostering Effective Collaboration
- Six Months In: Policy, Politics and the People Shaping the 2025 Education Landscape
- Feeling Stronger Every Day: Making Progress In Michigan Toward Increasing the Numbers of Teachers in Areas of Shortage
- When Micro goes Macro: A National Review of States' Use of Educator Micro-credentials
- Practice, Research, and Policy: Examining Workforce and Working Conditions Data to Inform Stakeholders from the State House to the School House

Monday, June 16, 2025

- The Business Community's Role in Education: Transforming the Educator Experience in North Carolina
- All Hands on Deck: Leveraging Partners to Expand and Improve Licensure Pathways in Arkansas
- From Task Force to Work Force: How Arizona's Educator Recruitment and Retention Team is Tackling Teacher Retention
- Capacitating Educators for AI: Future-Focused Approaches in Educator Preparation

Tuesday, June 17, 2025

- Generative Tech in K-12: Industry Hype, Classroom Impact, and Educator Cyber Traps
- A State Level Model for Systematic SEL Integration in Teacher Preparation
- Retention: You Keep Using that Word, But I Do Not Think it Means What You Think it Means
- Using Evidence Based Markers to Renovate Teacher Candidate Certification
- Use your Teacher Voice: Claiming Space in Education Policy and Advocacy

The conference allowed time for networking with conference attendees. The highlights of the conference included how North Carolina's private businesses, through a non-profit group, invest in public schools in their state. In North Carolina, private business contribute to teacher growth, providing funding directly to schools for teacher mentors, teacher leaders, and instructional coaches. North Carolina businesses also fund programs for school administrators. This non-profit organization is given authority to work with North Carolina schools directly.

The session on Michigan's efforts to recruit teachers in hard to fill areas was impressive – Michigan state's DOE worked with the state legislature to fund many programs to help with teacher recruitment to include grow your own programs, scholarships, service incentives, and teacher loan forgiveness- all funded by the state and ARP funds. The state funds came from revenue from marijuana sales.

The highlight of the conference was the two sessions on the use of AI. The first session provided the advantages of using AI in teacher preparation. The second session presented by Fredrick Lane, presented the cons and risks of the use of AI. These presentations left the conference attendees with much to consider when implementing AI policies in educator preparation programs and in school districts.

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