

# 2020 Year in Review

The past 12 months have provided NIET opportunities to establish new partnerships and strengthen how specialists support educators across the country. Here are a few of the highlights:

DeSoto Parish is awarded NIET's second \$50,000 District Award of Excellence for Educator Effectiveness



NIET sets **new organizational record** for most service delivery days provided in one month, after breaking record in both July and October 2019



NIET celebrates its **20th Anniversary!**

- ▶ NIET is awarded a **\$1.8 million grant** from the Kern Family Foundation to begin the Accelerating Character Education Development (ACED) project
- ▶ NIET releases the popular **2020-21 Planning and Support Guide**
- ▶ NIET releases its **Virtual Companion Tool**

NOV '19

JANUARY

FEBRUARY

MARCH

APRIL

MAY

NIET holds meeting with **higher education leaders in Dallas** to gather feedback and share new *Aspiring Teacher Rubric*

**1,299**

hours of service delivered in February 2020

COVID-19 begins to significantly impact NIET partners, and **NIET shifts to providing virtual support**

**Duplessis Primary School in Ascension Parish** accepts the \$50,000 NIET Founder's Award in a virtual celebration

NIET releases **new tools and services:**

- *Principal Standards Rubric*
- Principal Leadership Series
- Building District Instructional Leadership
- EE PASS app
- Consulting/strategic support



**\$4.8 million**

awarded through the Walton Family Foundation grant



NIET hosts its first virtual Summer Institute with **500 educators**

NIET updates Environment Domain for the *K-12 Teaching Standards Rubric* to **strengthen expectations** for creating a positive and inclusive classroom

- ▶ NIET is awarded a **federal SEED grant** to partner with higher education and support South Carolina principals
- ▶ NIET partners with **Alaska TSL grant**

- ▶ NIET is awarded **\$4.8 million Walton Family Foundation grant** to support rural districts and schools in Arkansas
- ▶ **Louisiana launches new statewide partnership** with NIET to support teachers with high-quality virtual instruction

**JUNE**

**JULY**

**AUGUST**

**SEPTEMBER**

**OCTOBER**

- ▶ NIET is awarded a grant from The Ayers Foundation and SCORE to support the **Tennessee Rural Acceleration and Innovation Network**
- ▶ **High-quality Curriculum Implementation: Connecting What to Teach with How to Teach It** is released to share lessons learned from NIET partnerships

**South Carolina launches new statewide partnership** with NIET to support teachers with high-quality virtual instruction

**Sarah Moore Greene Magnet Academy** in Tennessee and **Mellichamp Elementary** in South Carolina both receive NIET's School of Promise Award

**6,000**

number of educators in South Carolina who will be supported by the new statewide partnership

