ASSOCIATION
for
COMPENSATORY EDUCATORS of TEXAS

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Dear Sponsor,

On behalf of the Association for Compensatory Educators of Texas (ACET), I am writing to invite you to partner with us in supporting the dedicated compensatory educators who serve Texas's most at-risk students.

ACET is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, anti-lobbying organization that has supported state and federal compensatory education professionals for more than 53 years. At a time when federal, state, and local budget cuts continue to strain public education, our mission to provide high-quality professional development, mentorship, and scholarships is more critical than ever.

In 2027, ACET aims to expand the reach and impact of our training, mentoring, and scholarship programs. Compensatory educators work every day to reduce achievement gaps and dropout rates, yet they often lack access to the specialized support needed to sustain effective programs. Your partnership helps bridge that gap—ensuring educators are equipped to help students overcome academic and socio-economic barriers.

Your sponsorship will directly support ACET's 2027 programs, including:

- **Annual In-Person Spring Conference:** A statewide convening offering in-depth workshops, collaboration, and networking.
- **Four Virtual Academies:** Quarterly online learning opportunities providing year-round professional development across all 20 Texas regions.
- **Quarterly Round Table Discussions:** ACET will facilitate live Zoom lunch sessions where members will discuss questions, learn tips and best practices, and connect with peers in a safe place to network and grow.
- **Ongoing Mentorship:** Pairing experienced educators with those new to compensatory education to address high turnover and build long-term leadership capacity.
- **Scholarships:** Twenty $1,000 student scholarships and five $1,000 paraprofessional scholarships for individuals pursuing careers in education. This year we are introducing a new paraprofessional scholarship in memoriam to Shirley M. Coleman, our emeritus ACET Executive Director and former ACET Past President.

Sponsorship Benefits

As a 2027 ACET partner, you will gain meaningful visibility among Texas educators, school leaders, and decisionmakers. Depending on your level of support, benefits may include:

- Logo placement on the ACET website, conference materials, and virtual academy platforms
- Opportunities to exhibit and engage directly with attendees at our Spring Conference
- Recognition as a sponsor of a specific program or scholarship initiative
- The opportunity to address ACET members during the Spring Conference
- Demonstrated community impact through direct investment in Texas public education

Investing in the Next Generation
In addition to professional development, Scholastic is committed to removing financial barriers for future educators. We are seeking partners to support our 2026 Scholarship Initiatives, which provide $1,000 awards to:

- High school seniors who have participated in compensatory education programs and are pursuing post-secondary education
- Current paraprofessionals pursuing a bachelor's degree and teacher certification

I have attached our **2027 ACET Partnership Flyer** to outline sponsorship levels and opportunities in greater detail. I welcome the opportunity to discuss how a partnership with ACET aligns with Scholastic's philanthropic goals for the coming year.

Thank you for your commitment to Texas students and educators. I look forward to the possibility of working together.

Sincerely,

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