



Hi, NAGT-TED members!

Happy New Year! Wishing you a wonderful start to a terrific 2022. TED has opportunities for you to share your expertise and creativity this year, and to burnish your professional service credentials.

Earth Sciences Methods Forums - This is a **monthly series of online drop-in sessions** to build a community of practice for Earth sciences educators. We are still building the schedule and determining who will facilitate when – tentatively, **each Forum will convene for 45-60 minutes on the 3rd Thursday of each month**. Confirmed presenters include Christopher Roemmele and Scott Brande.

- Please direct your Forum recommendations to me at suzanne.metlay@wgu.edu
- 1st Forum: **Th 20 Jan at 3:00pm PT/6:00pm ET**. Zoom link info will be sent with a reminder email in mid-Jan.

Serve as a TED Officer – TED Executive Committee positions are opening for:

- **Vice President**
- **Media Director**

Committee positions are also available on a variety of topics. TED Committees include:

- ***Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion***
- ***Conferences and NAGT Sections***
- ***Teacher Leader Standards Award Development***

TED Executive Committee meetings are always open to interested members of NAGT. Our next meeting is **T 8 Feb at 3:00pm PT/6:00pm ET**.

NAGT 2021 Annual Report – https://nagt.org/nagt/about/nagt_annual_reports_2021.html

- TED membership has increased 40% since 2015.
- Nearly 10% of NAGT members are K-12 Earth Sciences teachers.
- Action item #1 to support NAGT goals for 2022 is *"Increase the value of NAGT membership and programming for K–12 teachers"*. TED can play a vital role here!

NAGT Advocacy Committee is looking for new members. Please join us! The committee's work focuses on supporting Earth sciences educators of grades K-16, addressing legislation that impacts the teaching of geoscience, explaining the role of geoscience in current social issues, and writing policy statements to guide the work of NAGT. Because the work of this committee includes a wide range of issues that involve questions of diversity, inclusion, and justice, the **committee is particularly interested in recruiting representatives from BIPOC communities**. More information about the committee and how to get involved can be found on [NAGT Advocating for Geoscience Education](#) page on the NAGT website. You may also directly contact the Advocacy Committee chair at mike_phillips@ivcc.edu

TED Newsletter will remain in the form of these short monthly updates - Please get me your news, photos, etc. **Post time-critical info on our Facebook page:** <https://www.facebook.com/NAGTTED/>

Eager to learn your good news,
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