Recognition of the S. D. Bechtel, Jr. Foundation’s Investment in Educator Preparation

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Impact of the CSU

- Produces half of California’s teachers
- Produces 10% of the nation’s teachers
- Educates the highest number of STEM teachers in California
S. D. Bechtel, Jr. Foundation

- A decade of partnership
- Focus on teacher preparation in the CSU
- More than $20 million invested
- Giving both systemwide and to campuses
Science Teacher and Researcher Program

• Systemwide program founded at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo
• Developing a new generation of science and math teachers
• Upper-division STEM majors, teaching credential students and early career teachers are eligible
• Provides experience in a national research laboratory
New Generation of Educators Initiative

• Approximately $15 million in foundation support
• CSU campus/school district partnerships advance collaboration
• Year-long placements provide teacher candidates intensive experience
• Teacher candidates learn based on key transformational elements of educator preparation
• Partnerships are having significant impacts in local regions
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