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## **Bookend:**Marian University

A few years ago, Marian University in Indianapolis began to re-envision what it looks like to have teacher candidates that were prepared for the opportunities and challenges of classrooms today.

Leaders shifted their model and began to more deeply collaborate with nearby districts. The faculty of Marian's Klipsch Educators College embedded the NIET Teaching Standards into their pre-service coursework, and now they are developing out

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comprehensive residency and clinical experiences, promising that students will perform at the "proficient" level or higher on selected NIET Rubric indicators upon graduation. As a result, nearby NIET partner districts like Beech Grove, Perry Township, and Decatur are vying to be first in line for Marian candidates, and the Klipsch Educators College nearly tripled its enrollment of incoming freshmen for the 2018-19 school year.