Knowing that teacher quality is the single biggest in-school factor for student success, the National Institute for Excellence in Teaching builds educator excellence to give all students the opportunity for success.

Our vision is that every student in America is taught by an excellent teacher and supported by effective leaders every year — and that has been the foundation of our work for the past two decades. We believe that intentional, sustained, and high-quality investments in educators directly result in success for all students and are essential to eliminating equity gaps. As a result, NIET is committed to raising achievement levels for all students by focusing on the most powerful lever for change: teachers and the leadership that supports them.

"After seeing programs come and go, it became clear to us that the greatest factor in raising student achievement is the teacher. At that point, my team and I decided to stop buying programs and start building people."

— Hayward Jean, Director Of Student Services, Orangeburg CSD, South Carolina
How We Have Impact
NIET supports our partners in building the capacity of teachers and school leaders through training, coaching and on-site support. By developing and sustaining structures and systems for continuous improvement in teaching and learning, we help teachers to have a direct and immediate impact on student learning and engagement.

This is a Proven Approach
Analysis shows NIET partner schools outperform comparison schools

Source: NIET Department of Research and Evaluation, 2022