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Chalk Talk

It's Back to School Time

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The school bell rings, its chimes sublime. It call to learn, to teach, to reach, to climb. TEF has been reciting that slogan for years. It's that time of year when school bells will once again ring, heralding the call – come and learn.

As the end of August rolls around certain things predictably happen. The weather starts to change, ads for school clothes and supplies increase and students, parents and teachers think – it's time for another school year to begin.

Teachers throughout the district are beginning to prepare for the new school year. One group that is really focused is the new teachers in the school district. On Thursday, August 10, nearly 80 new teachers gathered together for their welcome and orientation into the TCSD.

Each year these new teachers meet with high hopes,



80 New teachers for the Tooele County School District attend orientation classes.

some anxiety and they are full of energy to get going in the classroom. It is an exciting time of the year and particularly in the life of a new school teacher. For some, this is their very first teaching job. For others, they may have taught before but they are new to the school district.

The teachers can be found in pre-school to twelfth grade classrooms. Some are entering from the business world through alternative

pathways. The new teachers include special education teachers, foreign language teachers, and teachers of all the usual disciplines. It's a group loaded with knowledge, a love for learning, children and the profession. They are anxious to face the challenge.

TEF wants to extend our greeting and welcome to all those new teachers and wish them well as they work in the greatest profession on earth. We'd also like to recognize and thank Debbie Bird, Camille Clegg-Patch and Jason Saari who work closely to train, assist and mentor new teachers as they navigate the challenges of modern day teaching.

From TEF to all students, teachers and employees of the school district – welcome back and have a wonderful school year. TEF is ringing the bell for you!



Tooele County School Districts new teachers preparing for the new school year.



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