

2026 TIME Fellowships

Erin Boyd, Skye Ranch School

STEAM in the Southwest: Connecting Canyons to Classrooms

An elementary school educator will study canyons, culture, and conservation across the Southwest—from Zion and the Grand Canyon to the Hoover Dam—to bring immersive, hands-on STEAM learning back to the classroom.

AJ Brown, Riverview High School

“If Understanding Is Impossible, Knowing Is Necessary.” – Primo Levi, Auschwitz Survivor and Author

A Holocaust studies teacher will visit Italy to explore the country’s Jewish heritage, Holocaust memorials, and sites of remembrance while exploring museums, former internment camps, and communities that preserved Jewish culture through centuries of persecution and renewal.

Ryan Chase, Sarasota High School

Anchored in Purpose: A Principal’s Journey of Renewal, Resilience, and Reinvention

A principal will examine communities in several countries that have been shaped by resilience and reinvention, gaining insights to deepen purpose, strengthen leadership, and foster sustainability and retention in his school.

Lynsey Davis, Riverview High School

Rosemaling, Folklore, and Hidden Gems of Scandinavia

Rooted in her Scandinavian heritage, an art teacher will study Norwegian folk art and explore cultural and historical traditions across Scandinavia to renew her own artistry and bring authentic global perspectives to her curriculum.

Grace Duyn, Garden Elementary School

A Whale of a Tale—Inspiring Future Writers

A fifth-grade teacher will enhance classroom learning, inspire aspiring writers, and connect science standards across content areas by studying marine conservation in the Galapagos Islands.

Gretchen Eidelbus, Taylor Ranch Elementary School

A New Way of Seeing Things

An elementary school teacher will step into the European settings where beloved literary characters lived, deepening her own engagement with literature and bringing new perspectives to her students' learning.

Farnaz Fehr, Bay Haven School of Basics Plus

An 'Inclusive' Journey of a Special Educator

A special educator will experience firsthand how Japanese schools foster inclusion for students with disabilities while also discovering the country's remarkable culture, customs, and heritage to inspire her students with special needs.

Charlotte Harber, Oak Park School

Ms. Harber's Trip to Machu Picchu

A journey to explore the cultural and historic importance of Machu Picchu in the Andes Mountains and surrounding sites of significance in Peru and then bring back highlights of the experience to the classroom through stories, art, and song.

Justine Holcomb, Tuttle Elementary School

Mind-Full Research Retreat: A Scientific Thinking Journey

A quest through England and Scotland to explore the missions and methodologies of several world-renowned masters of modern science, all while gaining new insight and techniques to engage the next generation of scientists.

Christine Magan, North Port High School

Restorative Journeys: A Teacher's Path to Renewal

An exploration of cultural, scientific, and historical sites in the western U.S. to develop engaging lesson plans that connect these experiences to Florida's B.E.S.T. standards in Algebra and Geometry.

Lisa McQuaid, Bay Haven School of Basics Plus

Windows to the West: Inspiring Young Explorers

An elementary school educator will experience the American West's geography, history, and culture to reignite her curiosity and inspire lessons that empower her students to become discoverers and teachers of America's heritage.

Ellen Millar, Riverview High School

From Hieroglyphs to Hashtags

A CTE multimedia graphic design teacher will explore the history of visual storytelling, visiting Egypt to study the first written communication (hieroglyphs) and then connecting it to modern communications (emojis!) to enhance lessons on visual literacy, media analysis, and cross-cultural communication.

Taylor Mowery, Brentwood Elementary School

Highland Horizons: A Scottish Exploration through the North Coast 500

A schoolwide behavior coach will explore the Scottish Highlands to reflect on the healing power of nature and its role in supporting emotional well-being, resilience, and personal growth.

Pamela Novak, Pine View School

Words and Flavors: A Journey Through Japanese Literature and Cuisine

An English language arts teacher will immerse herself in Japanese literature and culinary traditions at distinct locations across Japan, bringing new cultural perspectives and inspiration back to her classroom.

Leah Pollard-Lane, Fruitville Elementary School

Exploring and Investigating the Last Frontier, Alaska!

A science-lab teacher will study Alaska's natural wonders to expand her scientific knowledge and bring fresh, inspiring lessons to her students.

Francisco Ramirez, Alta Vista Elementary School

Bringing Spain into Sarasota Classrooms: A Cultural Immersion for Better Language Teaching

A Spanish teacher will complete graduate-level, credit-bearing classes at the University of Granada in Spain to deepen his expertise in Spanish language, culture, and pedagogy, and to develop new, culturally rich instructional units for students and professional learning resources for colleagues.

Rick Ramon and Lindsay Rowe, Booker High School (group project)

Access Ignited: Teaching Passion Rekindled in Japan's Inclusive Frontier

An engineering teacher and a math teacher will engage with STEM innovations and inclusive design in Japan to broaden their perspectives and bring new, globally informed approaches to STEM instruction.

Derek Reich, Sarasota High School

Witness to History: Teaching the Holocaust Through Firsthand Experience

A social studies teacher will visit Holocaust and World War II sites across Europe to deepen his understanding and bring students closer to this history through meaningful classroom connections.

Rawley Ryckman, Southside Elementary School

A Connection with Classic Characters Through the UK

An immersive journey through the United Kingdom to bring beloved children's literature to life by understanding the context behind the stories and their settings, in turn inspiring a new generation of readers.

Jeremy Steffy, Riverview High School

Living History Abroad: Renewing Teaching Through Place and Memory

An AP U.S. History and Human Geography teacher will follow his great-uncle's WWII footsteps across France and Germany to connect students to the places where history happened and inspire open-minded, globally aware learning.

Kathleen Suchora, Pine View School

Important Mathematical Sites + Moments of Relaxation = A Recharged and Renewed Teacher!

A math teacher will explore sites tied to some of the greatest mathematicians in history—from Archimedes in Sicily to Euclid and Pythagoras in Greece—to gain inspiration while renewing her own passion for math.

Brooke Teal, Triad Alternative School

Rooted in Family, Rising in Leadership

An assistant principal returns to the LA Dream Center, where she first discovered her calling for service, to volunteer with her family, show her children that true leadership is love in action, and draw fresh inspiration to strengthen her school community.

Daniele Therrien, Venice High School

Where the Past Still Whispers

An international study tour of historical landscapes of World Wars I and II that shaped modern Europe to understand how these events are remembered and taught across cultures today.

Jodie Vaughn, Suncoast Technical College

Taking Time: To Pause and Recharge the Passion to Empower Students!

A school counselor will explore art, history, and innovative educational practices in the UK and Ireland to gain new perspectives on connecting technical training to real-world careers and understanding how culture shapes learning and civic life.