especially designed for interns included identifying a system of support, planning for the new school year, and setting up their classrooms. Attendees completed the institute feeling empowered with new classroom management strategies to engage their students in fun, positive, and differentiated ways.

## *Photo above:*

~ Nearly 50 new teachers and interns gathered for a two-day institute on the resources and supports available to them through Educational Resource Services and the New Teacher & Leadership Development programs.

## California Center on Teaching Careers wins national award



TCOE's California Center on Teaching Careers (The Center) has won the national Brian L. Talbott Award from the Association of Educational Service Agencies. This annual award is presented to an individual or agency for contribution in the area of technological innovation and support.

The Center's foundation on technology was the basis for the award, specifically its website which matches teachers and teacher candidates with employers and credential programs depending on the profile each user creates. As an extension of its website, The Center has conducted several statewide and regional virtual teacher recruitment fairs, attracting thousands of job seekers in the last year. The Center was nominated for the award by Peter Birdsall, executive director of the California County Superintendents Educational Services Association.

"The Center staff and partners at the state and regional levels have done an incredible job to elevate teaching as a career and to bring quality teachers to our classrooms," said Tim Hire, Tulare County Superintendent of Schools. The grant which created The Center was awarded to TCOE in December 2016 by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing to promote teaching careers and alleviate the statewide teacher shortage. To learn more about its services or upcoming teacher job fairs, visit californiateach.org.