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### **New Teacher Project Program Consultant Selected as PDK Emerging Leader**

ARLINGTON, Va.—Emily L. Davis, a lead program consultant with the New Teacher Center and the Santa Cruz/Silicon Valley New Teacher Project in California, has been named a PDK Emerging Leader. Davis earned this distinction for her work exploring best practices in teacher mentoring programs.

“I have dedicated my career to discovering the keys to high quality mentoring for new teachers and sharing these findings with a wide audience,” Davis said. “I am engaged in research about effective mentoring, and I am developing research-based professional learning experiences for mentors and school leaders. By developing effective mentoring practices, we can have a powerful impact on teacher training and the quality of learning for all students.”

Davis mentors new teachers and coordinates professional development for mentors of new teachers.

“Teachers and mentors need to learn the way other professionals do, continually and collaboratively,” she said.

PDK International, the education association that has recognized Davis as an up-and-coming leader in the K-12 profession, will host Davis and 25 other education change agents at a weekend networking event this December. The PDK Emerging Leaders will gather in Washington, D.C., meet with federal education policymakers, and share best practices with each other.

“The Emerging Leaders program is our way of paying it forward in public education,” said William J. Bushaw, PDK International’s executive director. “We find people under 40 who are standouts in the profession and we bring them together for a weekend of networking and expertise-sharing in the nation’s capital. By investing in these young leaders, we are investing in the future.”

PDK International is an association that represents nearly 30,000 professionals in K-12 education across the country. Every year, it recognizes a new class of PDK Emerging Leaders. For more information on PDK’s 2013-2014 Class of Emerging Leaders, go to [www.pdkemergingleaders.org](http://www.pdkemergingleaders.org). Information about PDK International is at [www.pdkintl.org](http://www.pdkintl.org).

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