

Aspiring Superintendents' Academy

The Aspiring Superintendents' Academy (ASA) is entering its tenth year of working with administrators who aspire to become superintendents in New Mexico school districts. This comprehensive and beneficial program allows participants to experience a curriculum designed to provide them with the requisites for success in a superintendent's position. Participants in Cohort 8 were able to interact with experts covering an array of topics from building budgets to building solid relationships with board members and their communities. As a result, during their mock interviews with volunteer board members from various districts, they were touted as being exceptionally well prepared. Their program of study will be completed in June of this year. Past participants who have since become superintendents around New Mexico include Travis Dempsey, Cloudcroft; Susan Wilkinson-Davis, Jemez Valley; Ricky Williams, Hagerman; Richard Perea, Santa Rosa; Lillian Torrez, Taos; Bonnie Lightfoot, Roy; Ricky Espinoza, Carrizozo; Max Perez, Belen.

Applications are now available for the 2018-2019 school year. Interested individuals are required to complete the application and submit it electronically to NMCEL at stan@nmcel.org. A panel of administrators will interview prospective candidates.

Applications are due by close of business on May 31, 2018

Applicants will be selected and notified by June 15, 2018

Qualifying Criteria — Applicants must:

- Be a practicing school administrator in a New Mexico school;
- Have had five years successful administrative experience;
- Hold a valid New Mexico administrator's license;
- Have the concurrence and written support of the applicant's superintendent;
- Commit to participating fully in all aspects of the program;
- Complete the application form and submit required documents;
- Participate in a panel interview prior to final selection mid-June;
- Pay the \$500 registration fee, if selected.

The application is available on the [NMCEL](#) website. Interested parties may call the NMCEL office at 505-217-2345 for further information or if you have questions.

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Overview and Application

Purpose: The Academy, now in its tenth year, was created to support the aspirations of those who seek to become superintendents in New Mexico school districts. It is designed to provide the participants a carefully structured year long program where the requisites for success in the superintendency are thoroughly explored through a variety of venues and experiences.

Program: Participants will experience a curriculum designed to provide them the requisites for success in the superintendency. Fellows meet a minimum of four times during the year in Face-to-Face settings for full day seminar experiences where a series of strategies to success in the superintendency will be presented by a cadre of experienced superintendents and professionals. Bi-monthly meetings using online technology are facilitated by a veteran superintendent. Additionally, participants will be expected to undertake a practical field experience outside his or her normal job responsibilities under the supervision of a mentor superintendent. Relevant and related writing assignments are a significant component of the program. Upon successful completion of the Academy, Fellows will have their portfolios placed with the New Mexico School Boards' Association in a prominent placement position called the Premier Prospects Portfolio.

Qualifying Criteria: Applicants must:

- Be a practicing school administrator in a New Mexico school/district,
- Have had five years successful administrative experience,
- Hold a valid New Mexico administrator's license,
- Have the concurrence and support of the applicant's superintendent,
- Commit to participating fully in all aspects of the program,
- Complete the attached application form.
- Participate in a panel interview prior to final selection in early June,
- If selected, pay the \$500 registration fee.

Application Process: Applicants for the Aspiring Superintendents' Academy may be nominated by practicing superintendents, former superintendents, or may self-nominate for the Academy by completing the form below. Applications must be received by May 31, 2018. Initial applicants will be interviewed in Albuquerque in mid-June and will be notified of the interview date/time. Candidates will be selected and notified of selection by June 15, 2018. Upon receipt of the candidate's check for \$500, the candidate will be officially registered in the Aspiring Superintendents' Academy. Please make check out to and send to NMCEL, 6600 Palomas Avenue NE, Albuquerque, NM 87109.

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Application for the 2018-2019 Program

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Complete this form electronically and return it no later than May 31, 2018 as a Word document file to stan@nmcel.org.

Applicant Name:

Applicant Position:

School Address:

Phone:

Work:

Mobile:

E-mail:

Work:

Personal:

Administrative experience (positions held and dates employed from current to initial administrative entry):

Names and contact information for three references:

Attach:

- a current resume,
- a one page personal vision statement of why you wish to become a superintendent, and
- a letter from your superintendent affirming your application and his/her willingness to serve as your mentor and support you during your participation in the Academy.