Leadership Seminars for Curriculum Coordinators and Department Heads 2019-2020

Description, Goals and Objectives

Leadership Seminars for Curriculum Coordinators and Department Heads is a yearlong program that provides skill development and support regarding leadership at the program level of the school district. Curriculum Coordinators and Department Heads play a crucial role advancing the central work of a school district (i.e., the instructional program). The expectations for their roles are usually specific to the day-to-day needs of their respective programs and faculty. They are often selected for their position on the basis of excellence in the classroom and content expertise, but do not always have the opportunity to develop the leadership skills necessary to be effective and strategic in their new roles. This seminar series is designed to provide a forum for discussing issues of leadership pertinent to these roles, focusing on building leadership capacity in the personal, organizational, and political domains.

Participants will:

- Develop deeper understanding of concepts of leadership
- Develop knowledge about leadership styles
- Develop skill in leading teams within the school or district
- Develop skill with protocols to facilitate discussion
- Develop insight into the political nature of the role
- Develop an appreciation of the importance of a positive professional culture and some strategies for achieving it

Program Components

Readings, case studies, videos, and discussion protocols will emphasize the nature of effective leadership and the development of professional culture in schools and districts. The participating curriculum leaders may also suggest specific agenda topics.

Recommended For

Content-specific Curriculum Coordinators and School-based Department Heads and Instructional Coaches

Dates & Time

Eastern: September 12, October 3, 31, December 5, January 9, February 6, March 5, April 2 (snow date April 30)
Central: September 13, October 4, November 1, December 6, January 10, February 7, March 6, April 3 (snow date May 1)

Total Sessions: 8
Monthly 3-hour sessions
Total Hours: 24
Credits: N/A
PDPs: 24
Cost: $1,625

Location

Eastern
TEACHERS21 at William James College
1 Wells Ave, Suite 402
Newton, MA 02459
Central
Location TBD

See other available programs here
What People are Saying

I use the lessons I’ve learned and keep the I would love if all my co-workers had this training.

This course has been invaluable for hearing perspectives from like-job colleagues in other districts. We have developed trusting relationships and genuinely want to help one another.

The program has given me a sharp lens through which to view the work in terms of clear communication and relationship building.

Working through the dilemma made me realize that I have to be more creative in finding ways to address challenging situations. I like the idea of “managing” dilemmas—it reduces some of the pressure of finding a solution. Also, the process helped me to think about the successes I have had and the progress we have made - often overshadowed by the negative.

I look forward to our monthly meetings and always leave with something to chew on! The environment is comfortable and conducive to both professional and personal growth. Just want to share my thanks!

The notes and articles were invaluable. Especially liked the Hourglass model which I will hang in my office to remind me of our conversations and changes I may be able to implement.

It has been excellent to help me self-reflect and process as an emerging leader. Strategies for discussion promoted both active listening and active contributing.