



Preparing for the job of the 21st Century Superintendent

INAUGURAL CLASS July 11-15, 2016

Have you ever wondered what you didn't learn in graduate school but you may need to know in order to be an effective leader? If you are thinking about becoming a school superintendent then #ASuperWeek in July 2016 is for you!

The learning classes will be organized to provide for active learning as well as daily reflection time and writing opportunities will be built in through journaling and/or blog experience. In addition, there will be many simulations during the week for hands-on learning opportunities.

LEARNING CLASS TOPICS INCLUDE:

- **School District Leadership**
- **Communication Strategies**
- **School District Operations**
- **Community Engagement**
- **Action Planning and Next Steps**

IASA Aspiring Superintendent Academy

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WHAT IS THE IASA ASPIRING SUPERINTENDENT ACADEMY AND WHO SHOULD PARTICIPATE?

The Illinois Association of School Administrators (IASA) Aspiring Superintendent Academy is a program for school leaders who are thinking about becoming a superintendent. The five day summer learning academy will hone participants' leadership knowledge and skills and give them a view of the modern superintendency. This summer learning academy, aligned with the ISLLC Standards, will be a fast-paced, authentic *Learning Academy* where attendees will participate in simulations and produce meaningful activities that reflect the current expectations of the job of the superintendent.

WHAT CAN I EXPECT EACH DAY?

Each day of the Aspiring Superintendent Academy (ASA) will feature a different accomplished superintendent and other professionals from across the Midwest. They will bring expertise regarding different aspects of the modern superintendency. In addition to learning from them, you will also be able to add them to your own professional network for future support and collaboration.

DAY 1	School District Leadership
DAY 2	Communication Strategies
DAY 3	School District Operations
DAY 4	Community Engagement
DAY 5	Action Planning and Next Steps

WHY SHOULD I PARTICIPATE IN THE IASA ASPIRING SUPERINTENDENT ACADEMY?

- Professional learning network
- Immersive learning experience five days/nights
- Working/Networking Dinners
- Access to screening interviews with 4 state/national search firms
- Possible Illinois Administrators' Academy Credit
- Possible Graduate Credit 3.0 Hours - (includes extra cost to the university)

PARTICIPANTS WILL PRODUCE/EXPERIENCE A USABLE ARTIFACT DURING EVERY MODULE.

Examples may include but are not limited to: video creation, magazine article, skit, simulation of school board meeting, state of district address, welcome back speech, budget reduction presentation, PTA meeting, resolution of an ethical dilemma, and much more.

PRESENTED BY



MICHAEL LUBELFELD, ED.D.

Mike currently serves as the superintendent of schools in the Deerfield, IL Public Schools (District 109). Mike earned his Doctor of Education in curriculum and instruction from Loyola University of Chicago, where his published dissertation was on Effective Instruction in Middle School Social Studies. He is also on the adjunct faculty at National Louis University in the Department of Educational Leadership. Mike is a graduate of the IASA School for Advanced Leadership II program and will graduate from the AASA National Superintendent Certification program in February 2016. He can be found on Twitter at @mikelubelfeld and he is the co-moderator of #suptchat – the superintendent educational chat on Twitter.

NICK POLYAK, ED.D.

Dr. Polyak is the proud superintendent of the award-winning Leyden Community High School District 212. He earned his undergraduate degree from Augustana College in Rock Island, IL, his Masters from Governors State University, and his Ed.D. from Loyola University Chicago. Nick has been a classroom teacher and coach, a building and district level administrator, a School Board member, and a superintendent for the past seven years in both central Illinois and suburban Chicago. Nick is a graduate of the IASA School for Advanced Leadership II program and will graduate from the AASA National Superintendent Certification program in February 2016. He has been married to his wife Kate for the past 15 years and they have four children.



FAST FACTS

\$1,500 per participant (program costs, resource materials, meals, and lodging)

Classes to be held at the IASA headquarters in Springfield, IL

July 11-15, 2016 - 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily

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- Discovery Education
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- Stifel

SCHOLARSHIPS SPONSORED BY

- b.w.p. and Associates
- ECRA Group, Inc.
- Executive Searches, Illinois Association of School Boards/Member of the National Affiliation of Superintendent Searchers
- School Exec Connect

REGISTRATION INFORMATION AND HOW TO APPLY

The registration fee for the five day Learning Academy is \$1,500. Tuition includes a daily continental breakfast and lunch, resource materials and lodging for the entire week, Sunday-Thursday (check-out Friday). The Learning Academy will run from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. IASA will make lodging arrangements for participants at the Candlewood Suites, 2501 Sunrise Drive in Springfield.

The IASA Aspiring Superintendent Academy will be limited to 35 participants. Applicants must complete the form on the corresponding page. Applicant agrees to pay \$1,500 for the five day experience. (Note: Payment can be split over two payments but the applicant agrees to pay the full \$1,500. Due to the nature of this program, no refunds will be given and all applicants must pay the program tuition regardless of successful completion.) Lodging will be secured by IASA once the participant list is finalized.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Four full scholarships are being made available by various search consulting groups and said scholarships will be determined by the selection committee based on financial information submitted on the ASA application. If interested in the scholarship, please provide your gross annual salary on the application information sheet.

QUESTIONS?

CONTACT

Cherry Middleton

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Illinois Association of School Administrators**

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WHEN AND WHERE

INAUGURAL CLASS

July 11-15, 2016
8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Illinois Association of School Administrators
2648 Beechler Court
Springfield, IL 62703
217/753-2213

By returning this application information sheet, you are reserving a space in the IASA Aspiring Superintendent Academy. Completed applications must be submitted by **Thursday, March 31, 2016**. Participation in the IASA Aspiring Superintendent Academy will be finalized in early April 2016 and all applicants will be notified via email.

Please submit the completed application and supplemental documents (e.g., letter from District superintendent and personal narrative) via email to cmiddleton@iasaedu.org.

The application deadline has been extended to April 15.

IASA ASPIRING SUPERINTENDENT ACADEMY ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS ARE SET FORTH AS FOLLOWS

1. **Applicant must be able to attend the entire week.** *All meetings will be held at the IASA office in Springfield.*
2. **Applicant must provide a letter from the District Superintendent indicating support for and understanding of the commitment involved.**
3. **Applicant must provide a personal narrative indicating 1) the reason s/he is making application to the IASA Aspiring Superintendent Academy, 2) what s/he hopes to gain from the program, and 3) what s/he can contribute to the other cohort members.** This personal narrative should be limited to two, double-spaced pages.
4. **Applicant understands the commitment to the time schedule away from the current school District to effectively participate in this program.**
5. **Applicant agrees to cooperate and fully participate.**

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FULL NAME _____

DATE _____

CURRENT SCHOOL DISTRICT _____

CURRENT POSITION _____

NUMBER OF SCHOOLS IN CURRENT DISTRICT _____

CURRENT DISTRICT ENROLLMENT _____

CURRENT DISTRICT FREE/REDUCED PERCENTAGE _____

BUSINESS MAILING ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

DIRECT BUSINESS PHONE _____

MOBILE PHONE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP(S) _____

GROSS ANNUAL SALARY (INCLUDE ONLY IF APPLYING FOR THE \$1,500 SCHOLARSHIP) _____

EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE

INSTITUTION/UNIVERSITY	DEGREE	MAJOR/EMPHASIS	YEAR**

** Include degree work in progress

ADMINISTRATIVE/TEACHING EXPERIENCE

SCHOOL DISTRICT	POSITION	DISTRICT TYPE*	YEARS

* TYPE = Unit, Elementary, HS

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