

Aspiring Superintendents' Academy

The Aspiring Superintendents' Academy (ASA) is entering its fourteenth 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 13 were able to interact with experts covering a wide array of topics from building budgets to building solid relationships with board members and their communities. As a cumulative exercise, each member participates in mock interviews with volunteer board members from various districts. Feedback from those interviewing the Aspiring Superintendents states that the candidates are being well prepared. The program of study is a full year – beginning and ending in June of each year. Past participants who have since become superintendents around New Mexico include Travis Dempsey, Gadsden; Ricky Williams, Hagerman (retired); Richard Perea, Santa Rosa; Lillian Torrez, Taos; Bonnie Lightfoot, House; Ricky Espinoza, Carrizozo; Max Perez, Grants; Renee Russ, Clovis, Larry Chavez, Santa Fe and Lawrence Sanchez, Belen

Applications are now available for the 2022-2023 school year. Interested individuals are required to complete the application and submit it electronically to CES at <https://www.ces.org/aspiring-superintendents-academy/>

Applications are due by close of business on June 10, 2022

Applicants will be selected and notified by July 8, 2022

Qualifying Criteria — Applicant must:

- Be a practicing school administrator in a New Mexico school;
- Have had three 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 \$2,000 registration fee, if selected.

The application is available on the [NMCEL](https://www.nmcel.org/) website and the CES website <https://www.ces.org/leadership-development/>. Interested parties may call the NMCEL office at 505-217-2345 for further information or if you have questions.

Aspiring Superintendents' Academy
Sponsored by Cooperative Education Services (CES) and the
New Mexico Coalition of Educational Leaders (NMCEL)
Overview and Application

Purpose: The Academy, now in its fourteenth year, was created to support the aspirations of those who seek to become superintendents in New Mexico school districts. ASA's design provides 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. A series of strategies to succeed in the superintendency are presented by a cadre of experienced superintendents and professionals. A veteran superintendent facilitates Bi-monthly meetings using online technology. 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.

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- 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 \$2,000 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 June 10, 2022. 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 July 8, 2021. Upon receipt of the candidate's check for \$2,000, the candidate will be officially registered in the Aspiring Superintendents' Academy. Please make out check to CES and mail it to 10601 Research Rd. SE Albuquerque, NM 87123 or submit a PO to CES.

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Application for the 2022-2023 Program

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Complete this form electronically and upload it at
<https://www.ces.org/aspiring-superintendents-academy/> no later than June 10, 2022

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.