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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

A Memo from the New Jersey Department of Education

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To: Chief School Administrators, Charter School and Renaissance School Project Leads
Route To: Principals
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Division of Teaching and Learning
Deadline: Register by July 10, 2018

Department Launches Principal Learning Network

The New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) is pleased to announce the creation of a statewide Principal Learning Network, a free, year-long professional learning experience designed for new and experienced K-12 school principals. The purpose of the Principal Learning Network is to provide collaborative and supportive experiences in which principals can share promising practices, seek guidance, and gain access to resources to foster equity in schools. The program includes the following components:

- Two-day Summer Institute
- Four Principal Learning Network Meetings (virtual/in-person)
- Online Professional Learning Community
- Access to Leadership Partners
- Book Discussions
- Principal Learning Network Celebration.

During the two-day Summer Institute, participants will have the opportunity to hear from a nationally recognized speaker regarding *Leadership in an Era of Equity*. In addition, participants will be able to select four breakout sessions to engage in discussions with other principals throughout the state involving topics that are critical to the work of principals. A tentative agenda is provided below. As part of the Principal Learning Network, participants will select an area of professional growth and design an individual Principal Learning Network Plan. Throughout the year, participants will be able to engage in discussions and receive feedback from other principals in addition to having opportunities to collaborate with Leadership Partners and consult with NJDOE staff in support of their Principal Learning Network Plan.

The Principal Learning Network Summer Institute will be held at The College of New Jersey on July 24, 2018 and July 25, 2018 from 8:15 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Participation is expected in all aspects of the Principal Learning Network, including the two-day Summer Institute, the Principal Learning Network meetings (virtually/in-person), and the Online Professional Learning Community. There is no cost to participate in the Principal Learning Network. However, **space is limited**; therefore, participants are encouraged to [register](#) as soon as possible. **Deadline for registration is July 10, 2018.** As part of the registration process, participants will be asked to select the breakout sessions they would like to attend from topics such as equity and cultural responsiveness, digital leadership, well-rounded education (including STEM), and social-emotional learning.

Please contact Beverly Plein at Beverly.Plein@doe.nj.gov for questions about this event.

Tentative Principal Learning Network Summer Institute Agenda
The College of New Jersey, Ewing, NJ

July 24, 2018

Registration and Networking
Keynote Session
Book Discussion and Lunch
Breakout Session 1 – Choice I
Breakout Session 2 – Choice II
Meet and greet with DOE staff

July 25, 2018

Registration and Networking
Opening Remarks & Agenda
Breakout Session 3 – Choice III
Breakout Session 4 – Choice IV
Principal Learning Network Planning Session and Lunch
Meet and greet with NJ agencies and organizations

Principal Learning Network meetings are tentatively scheduled for October, December, February and April. The **Principal Learning Network Celebration** event will be held in June 2019.

c: Members, State Board of Education
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NJDOE Staff
Statewide Parent Advocacy Network
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