LEARNING WHILE LEADING

PROJECT PURPOSE
To address the principal shortage by identifying educators with principal certification (Type 75 or principal endorsement) and preparing them to successfully fill assistant principal or principal vacancies, especially in rural and low-income schools.

The Learning While Leading (LWL) Program is a federally funded program coordinated through the ROE Lead Hubs to prepare educators who already have a principal endorsement on their license and intend to stay in the same school during the program year (2023-24). The goal of the LWL program is to enable participants to successfully apply in the 2023-24 school year for an assistant principal or principal position starting in the 2024-25 school year.

LWL PARTICIPANT CRITERIA
Successful candidates should:
- Be certified with a general administrative or principal endorsement on their Illinois license
- Currently not be serving in a principal or assistant principal position
- 1+ years experience in current school and intent to stay in their current school during the program year
- Intend to apply for a principal or assistant principal position in Illinois (in their current school or another school/district) that starts in 2024-25
- Serve in a school that administers the Illinois Assessment of Readiness (or SATs) and the 5 Essentials Survey

LWL APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS
Complete the online application, which includes:
- Written application
- Three forms that should be signed and uploaded with the written application:
  - Approval Form signed by your principal
  - Recommendation Form signed by your principal or another recommender
  - Letter of Commitment signed by you

View Candidate Information
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