

# The Ohio Superintendent Professional Learning Academy

An immersive 21st century **LEADERSHIP** experience for school district leaders

## What is the Ohio Superintendent Professional Learning Academy?

The *Ohio Superintendent Professional Learning Academy* is a unique educational practicum for school district superintendents in the state of Ohio offered by the Ohio School Leadership Foundation. Its focus is preparing the landscape for educational leadership. The emphasis of this interactive experience is the need for more strategic leadership being driven by increased expectations and accountability, an evolving economy and job market and the seismic shift occurring in how we teach and learn — the result of rapid growth in technology, advancements in neuroscience and the demand for a different skill set in today's students.

## Why is the Ohio Superintendent Professional Learning Academy needed in our state?

The school superintendent in Ohio serves as both the chief executive officer and educational expert for his/her school district. This requires an expertise and a balance of diverse skills unlike many other leadership positions. And because so much of what and how the superintendent needs to lead is driven by outside factors and influences, staying current with research and trends is imperative if Ohio schools and their students are to keep pace with their peers throughout the country and around the globe. With its diverse and cutting edge range of topics, the *Academy* is designed with the school leader, the needs of tomorrow and the futures of staff and students in mind.

## Who will participate in the Ohio Superintendent Professional Learning Academy?

Current school district superintendents in the state of Ohio are eligible for participation in the *Ohio Superintendent Professional Learning Academy*. Each year, a diverse group of approximately 30 superintendents will be selected to participate in the *Academy* through four interactive and engaging learning sessions. Each session will occur over two days beginning mid-morning of day #1 and concluding mid-day on day #2.

## CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

Session #1	Session #2	Session #3	Session #4
<p><i>Innovation to Spark the Student Experience</i></p> <p>Innovation is the buzzword of the 21st century. But, what is it? And what does it look like in school? Develop a framework for promoting innovation in your school district and put the steps in motion to drive the change necessary to spark student interest, be more efficient and ensure the status quo isn't the norm under your watch.</p>	<p><i>BrandED Tell Your Story, Build Relationships and Empower Learning</i></p> <p>Everyone loves a great story. And who better to tell the story of your school district than you? And it starts with the brand — both for you and your school district. How can you become the chief storyteller? How can you engage stakeholders to share your story? How do you make sure your story reaches throughout the school district and beyond?</p>	<p><i>Step into the Future of Education</i></p> <p>As artificial intelligence, robotics and digital platforms continue to infiltrate all aspects of our lives, they soon will be a force in our classrooms as well. How can you prepare for this shift? What do you need to know now? How can you engage teachers, students and parents in this important conversation?</p>	<p><i>The Analytics of School</i></p> <p>A lack of data is certainly not a problem in today's school environment. But, knowing what data matters, how to analyze the data and how best to use the data can be a problem. Explore tools and resources available to school leaders and develop a framework for a school district data portfolio to guide focus and priority in your work.</p>