

Superintendent Professional Development Program

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Dear Educational Leader:

The Georgia School Superintendents Association, the Georgia Department of Education and the Georgia Power Foundation are proud to sponsor a new cohort of the **Superintendent Professional Development Program**. This exciting, innovative, and challenging leadership program is designed for educators aspiring to serve as school superintendents. Individuals recently appointed as superintendents also find this an invaluable professional development opportunity.

Georgia educators with three or more years experience as a school or system leader are encouraged to apply for this, the eleventh cohort of the two-year Superintendent Professional Development Program, which will begin in September 2013. The L-6/PL-6 is the preferred minimum certification. Professional Learning Units are awarded upon completion of instructional units. An on-line brochure describes the program in more detail.

The Georgia School Superintendents Association and program participants share the cost of the program. Applicants pay a \$400 application fee, which helps to defray a portion of the cost of assessment activities. This fee is refunded if the applicant is not selected for participation. Annual tuition is \$1,400, payable in two installments of \$700, due each September and January of the program's duration.

Persons interested in applying will find a confidential application from the Georgia School Superintendents Association by visiting our website at www.gssanet.org. (Please note that nomination forms are also available on the site, for anyone who wishes to nominate an individual to the Superintendent Professional Development Program.) The application includes a request for recommendation by someone thoroughly familiar with the applicant, both personally and professionally. Additionally, the endorsement of the applicant's system superintendent is required. The deadline for submission of applications is Friday, July 26, 2013.

A screening committee selected by GSSA will oversee the selection process, which may also include interviews with applicants. Individuals chosen for participation will be notified by August 23, 2013. Please refer to the contact information below if you have further questions about the program.

Best wishes in your application process!

Sincerely,

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The 2013-15 Superintendent Professional Development Program schedule is provided on the back.

