

# Aspiring Principal Program

## Superintendent or Charter Holder Acknowledgement Form

MCESA's commitment: **MCESA's Aspiring Principal Program will develop visionary, entrepreneurial, passionate leaders who are equipped to increase outcomes and opportunities for students, families, and schools. Graduates will be prepared to assume principal roles in Maricopa County schools with the greatest challenges and needs.**

Aspiring Principal commitment(s):

- **Attend Phase 1-Summer Intensive (June 12-23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017)**

A two-week Summer Intensive engages participants in an aspiring administrator standards-based curriculum that simulates the actual challenges of a Maricopa County principal. Attendance is required Monday—Friday during the two weeks. There will be assignments that will require some weeknight and evening work.

- **Complete Phase 2-Residency (August 2017-May 2018)**

Participants serve an eleven-month, school-based residency under the mentorship of their site principal and a Rodel Exemplary Principal. There will be two, half-day learning sessions each month during the residency year where the Aspiring Principal will be out of the school building.

Site Principal commitment(s):

- Observe mentee and debrief 1x a month
- Weekly check-in about leadership responsibilities
- Co-construct the compact with resident to arrange instructional and administrative leadership opportunities for the aspiring principal
- When MCESA facilitator observes the Aspiring Principal, site Principal participates in debrief
- As needed check-in (phone, email) with MCESA facilitator
- Participate in site principal residency training 2x a year (total of two days)
- Release resident for two, half-day professional learning sessions per month and four site visits to Exemplary Principal school for instructional rounds to be scheduled by participants

I support \_\_\_\_\_ as a candidate for the Aspiring Principal Program. The district recognizes that the candidate will participate in two phases of the Aspiring Principal Program as detailed above.

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Superintendent Name Printed

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Superintendent Signature

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District Name

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Date