



Superintendent Preparation Series Academy

(SUPES Academy) - Fall 2009 - *Preparing the next generation of outstanding educational leaders*

What is SUPES?

SUPES is a comprehensive leadership development experience to prepare individuals who will be the next “class” of superintendent candidates—*those considering the pursuit of positions in the year 2009 or thereafter.*

Why was SUPES developed?

There will be an unprecedented number of superintendents retiring over the next decade. At the same time, fewer people with the necessary capacity-building experiences are aspiring to move into these critical leadership roles. In addition, the superintendency has become increasingly complex. It is critical that the new superintendents receive the best possible preparation and support available to help ensure success in their new assignments.

Who should participate in SUPES?

Target participants are people with the potential to be outstanding educational leaders who are considering applying for their first superintendency during the coming year. The Academy will accommodate up to 45 participants. Participants must commit to attending every class session and completing assignments between classes.

How will participants benefit?

- As a result of participating in SUPES, participants will:
- ✓ have a well-rounded understanding of the superintendency and how the superintendent impacts student success.
 - ✓ have a solid understanding of who they are as a leader, their leadership philosophy, and leadership styles.
 - ✓ have the skills necessary to engage the staff and community in planning and decision-making.
 - ✓ understand governance of local school districts and how the board-superintendent partnership can work.
 - ✓ have exposure to current critical issues and trends affecting the superintendency.
 - ✓ be prepared for the superintendent employment process and for first year success.
 - ✓ have an established network of cohorts as they move into their new roles.

Who is sponsoring SUPES?

The Michigan Leadership Institute (MLI) and the Michigan Institute for Educational Management (MIEM) are collaborating to sponsor the SUPES Academy. MLI has developed a comprehensive leadership development curriculum and will be arranging an outstanding roster of presenters. MIEM will be registering and working with participants to arrange SB-CEUs for Academy attendance.

When and where will SUPES be held?

The SUPES Academy will be held over four sessions, Thursday beginning at noon through Friday at 5 p.m.:

August 13-14, 2009 – Sheraton Hotel, Lansing

September 17-18, 2009– Holiday Inn, Alpena

October 8-9, 2009 – Four Points by Sheraton, Bay City

November 12-13, 2009 – Crowne Plaza, Grand Rapids

In addition, out of class projects will include:

- ✓ Use of email listserv to communicate with other class members
- ✓ Reading assignments and discussion preparation
- ✓ Shadowing experiences with a current superintendent

How much will SUPES cost?

Thanks to sponsorship by various public and private sources, the registration fee for SUPES participants is \$800.00 for the entire series. This fee includes meals and course materials. Participants will be responsible for their own travel and lodging arrangements. All other costs will be covered through the generosity of foundations and private sector sponsors.

How do I apply for SUPES?

Applicants must complete an application, which is available from MIEM (Phone: 517-327-2589/Fax: 517-327-0771), or www.gomiem.org. The registration fee of \$800.00 will be billed upon acceptance into the Academy. Applications must include letters of nomination from the applicant’s current superintendent and ISD superintendent. The nomination letters should address the applicant’s capacity to be an outstanding district leader. Each applicant must also identify a mentor who will provide coaching and feedback during the Academy experience. ***The SUPES Academy will be limited to 45 participants.***

Class members may earn SB-CEU’s or graduate credits as appropriate for participation in SUPES.

For more information regarding the SUPES curriculum, contact: Dr. Michael Wilmot, Michigan Leadership Institute, P.O. Box 62, Ossineke, MI 49766. Phone: 989-471-2686 or Fax: 989-471-2690; Email: wilmotmli@hotmail.com or mikewilmot@mileader.com.

For more information regarding applying for the SUPES Academy, contact: Danielle at (MIEM), 1001 Centennial Way, Suite 300, Lansing, MI 48917-9279, Phone: (517) 327-2589; Fax: (517) 327-0771; Email: danielle@gomiem.org



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Registration Form

Series Session Dates (must attend all sessions) Sessions run Thursday noon through Friday at 5 p.m.	Locations
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The registration fee of \$800.00 (for the full series) will be billed upon acceptance. Fees include meals and materials. Participants will be responsible for making their own lodging arrangements; a block of rooms will be held at each site. For further information, contact the MIEM office at danielle@gomiem.org, 517-327-2589; fax: 517-327-0771.

Application Deadline – June 5, 2009

Name _____ Position _____

District _____ Email _____

Phone (w) _____ (h) _____ Fax _____

Work Address _____ Summer Mailing Address _____

City, State, Zip _____ City, State, Zip _____

Include: Letters of nomination from current superintendent and ISD superintendent

Current resume

Name of Mentor: Name _____
Position _____
District _____