

The Education Policy Fellowship Program (EPFP) 2009-2010

- **EPFP** is the nationally recognized leadership development program sponsored by the Institute for Educational Leadership (IEL) and its state partners. In Connecticut, **EPFP** is sponsored by Area Cooperative Educational Services (ACES) in collaboration with the State Department of Education.
- **EPFP** provides a forum for developing advanced leadership skills in Connecticut educators. The program runs on a highly selective basis with only 20-25 participants per year.
- **EPFP** is targeted at those practicing or aspiring administrators identified as having exceptional leadership talent.
- **EPFP** provides participants with an intense, year-long series of six (6) state level seminars. Statewide leaders in such fields as public education, higher education, the media, politics and the corporate sector are invited to make presentations and facilitate discussions with Fellows around policy matters. They engage the **EPFP** fellows in learning activities in an intimate and free flowing atmosphere. Each seminar is three hours in length.
- **EPFP** Fellows also participate in national conferences including one sponsored by the Institute for Educational Leaders (IEL). It will be held in mid April in Washington, D.C. and will revolve around policy matters.
- **EPFP** also helps participants develop a statewide and national network of professional contacts. Fellows gain insights about themselves in a leadership context, and sponsoring agencies benefit by having better informed and more skillful leaders.

Program Costs

EPFP relies on a combination of grants and tuition fees from sponsoring agencies to support its activities.

- The annual program tuition for 2009-2010 is **\$1,925**.
- Travel costs for the two national conferences will be approximately **\$2,000**.
- In all, **EPFP** tuition and other program costs are expected to total approximately **\$3,925**.
- You will be billed in the fall for the tuition fee or you may pay in this fiscal year if you so desire. Title II targeted professional development funds may be used to support this leadership development activity.

Application Procedures

EPFP is managed by the Professional Development and School Improvement Unit at ACES. Nominees must complete and return the application form <http://www.iel.org/epfp/state/ct.html> by **August 14, 2009** to:

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