Education Minnesota Leadership Fellowship

Collaborative experience & commitment

The Education Minnesota Leadership Fellowship is an exciting leadership initiative. The Education Minnesota Leadership Fellowship will support 6-10 Leadership Fellows from locals in Minnesota. These Leadership Fellows will engage in the three frames of unionism, develop new skills and formalize an action pathway toward union leadership. This work strategically connects educators, their local education association with their state and national associations.

The Education Minnesota Leadership Fellowship is based on the following goals:

The Education Minnesota Leadership Fellowship participant will:

• Self-assess leadership skills and engage in learning activities to grow as a leader;
• Learn about the union, related leadership skills and pathways to local leadership;
• Identify and engage a Sounding Board of five other educators in ongoing, one-on-one conversations;
• Develop and begin implementing a Leadership Engagement & Action Project that addresses an issue of importance with educators in the local

The local education association will:

• Support their Fellows and share their work through social media and other communications channels;
• Utilize the Education Minnesota Leadership Fellowship in its educator membership and engagement strategy;
• Connect Education Minnesota Leadership Fellowship participants with emerging leadership opportunities in the Association

The Education Minnesota Leadership Fellowship will:

• Network partner locals, states and Leadership Fellowship participants in a yearlong learning community;
• Develop and implement an engaging and relevant leadership experience that supports educators to become association leaders;
• Leverage learnings, stories and accomplishments through local, state, TURN and national communications channels

During the Leadership Fellowship, Fellows will participate in the following structured activities:

Monthly local team meetings are estimated to be approximately 2 hours in length, but may vary depending on the local.

In addition to meetings, Education Minnesota Leadership Fellowship participants will each identify a “Sounding Board” of 5 other educators they will connect with during their fellowship work. Fellows will engage Sounding Board participants in 1:1 conversations to identify their passions and issues of interest. Sounding Board interests and issues will guide the creation of the Education Minnesota Leadership Fellowship participant’s Leadership, Engagement & Action Project (LEAP).

MFT 59: If interested in being a Fellow, please contact Coach Michelle Urevig-Grilz at 763-600-4897 (call or text) or email migrilz101@gmail.com.