



NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR SCHOOL LEADERSHIP
FAYETTE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Executive Development Program for School Leaders

Memorandum of Understanding

Background

The National Institute for School Leadership (NISL) has implemented its Executive Development Program (EDP) across the country, with over 8,000 graduates to date. It is a comprehensive and in-depth leadership development program that helps make principals stronger instructional leaders. Rigorous evaluation studies have shown that principals who complete the program are able to accelerate student achievement by 1-2 months, on average, across multiple subjects.

NISL has been working with school districts across the state of Kentucky to implement the program. It has trained and certified Kentucky educators to facilitate the program for local school districts.

NISL has also received a \$100,000 grant from the Xerox Company. It has offered this grant to Fayette County Public Schools to reduce the cost of participating in the EDP. The Kentucky Department of Education has agreed to provide its NISL certified trainers to facilitate the EDP at no cost to Fayette County. NISL needs to have a commitment by 12/31/14 in order to meet its obligations to Xerox.

Responsibilities of NISL

If Fayette County agrees to partner with NISL and the state of Kentucky on this project, NISL will provide its EDP curriculum, access to its on-line curriculum, and technical assistance to Fayette County Public Schools in the implementation of the EDP.

Responsibilities of Fayette County Public Schools

If Fayette County agrees to partner with NISL and the state of Kentucky on this project, Fayette County agrees to work with NISL to select 25 school leaders that will benefit from leadership development, insure that they attend all 27 in-person training days over the 15-18 months of the program, and pay the remaining tuition that is not covered by the Xerox grant (see below).



Cost to Fayette County

The tuition for 25 school leaders to attend the EDP is normally \$131,250 – 25 participants at a per person cost of \$5,250. After application of the Xerox grant, the net cost to Fayette County will be \$31,250.