



**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

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STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION

MEMORANDUM

TO: South Carolina School Superintendents

FROM: Jeffery E. Long, Ph.D.

DATE: July 5, 2016

RE: Tapping Executive Educators (TEE), Office of School Leadership

The nationwide and statewide pool of qualified applicants for the challenging position of school superintendent is dwindling, while demand is increasing. To meet this growing need, the Office of School Leadership at the South Carolina Department of Education is continuing the Tapping Executive Educators (TEE) Program.

TEE is designed to meet the needs of talented, experienced educators who are interested in preparing for these specific career choices. We are inviting you to be proactive and “*tap talented individuals*” to apply for this selective leadership program.

TEE provides participants with a long-term, in-depth experience focused on the superintendency. Participants build an individual learning plan. They read, react to, and apply concepts from both “The Classics” and recent literature concerning leadership, teaching and learning, business, and organizational practices. The program gives participants the opportunity to interact with superintendents and build a network of professional support.

The program requires a commitment of 10 days in Columbia over the course of a school year. Costs included in the program are tuition, materials, and supplies. School districts will be responsible for travel, lodging, meals, and incidentals. Enclosed is a program description and application.

Please share this information with those individuals in your district who exhibit district leadership potential. Applications must be submitted by September 15, 2016. Qualified participants will be notified of acceptance into the program by September 30, 2016.

If you have questions or need further information, please contact me at (803) 896-0214 or email me at jlong@ed.sc.gov. Thank you for supporting and coaching our state’s future district leaders.

Attachments