



**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**  
**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** District Superintendents  
District Human Resource Directors  
District Instructional Leaders  
Principals

**FROM:** Lilla Toal Mandsager  
Director, Office of Educator Effectiveness and Leadership Development

**DATE:** December 5, 2023

**RE:** Leadership Development Cohorts, Winter 2023

The Office of Educator Effectiveness and Leadership Development is pleased to announce dates for the South Carolina School Leadership Executive Institute and the Institute for District Administrators. Each program is limited based on space and interested participants should register with links below. Contact Gerard Edwards, [gedwards@ed.sc.gov](mailto:gedwards@ed.sc.gov) with questions.

The **South Carolina School Leadership Executive Institute (SLEI)** has a unique partnership with the Truist Leadership Institute designed to equip principals from districts across the state with the insight, knowledge, and competencies necessary to lead innovative and successful schools. SLEI is a seven-month professional development opportunity. Sessions are designed into (3) one-day sessions and (2) two-day sessions; for more information about SLEI, <https://ed.sc.gov/educators/school-and-district-administrators/experienced-principals/school-leadership-executive-institute-slei/>

The **Institute for District Administrators (IDA)** is designed to support entry-level district leaders with the knowledge, skills, and characteristics needed to serve on and lead highly effective district teams. IDA consists of four two-day sessions with eight total sessions over seven months. The cohort will include strategies like small and large group discussion, teamwork, Socratic seminars, simulations, scenarios, self-reflection, 360° feedback, problem-solving, inquiry cycles, case studies, study teams, and networking; for more information about IDA, <https://ed.sc.gov/educators/school-and-district-administrators/district-administrators/institute-for-district-administrators-ida/>

**School Leadership Executive Institute (SLEI) 52**

- February 2, 2024, in Columbia, SC
- February 26–29, 2024, in Greensboro, NC (Group A)
- March 11–14, 2024, in Greensboro, NC (Group B)
- April 11–12, 2024, in Columbia, SC
- May 9, 2024, in Columbia, SC
- June 25, 2024, in Columbia, SC
- August 27–28, 2024, in Columbia, SC

[Registration Link for School Leadership Executive Institute \(SLEI\) 52A](#)

[Registration Link for School Leadership Executive Institute \(SLEI\) 52B](#)

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**Institute for District Administrators (IDA) 26**

- February 22–23, 2024, in Columbia, SC
- April 22–23, 2024, in Columbia, SC
- June 6–7, 2024, in Columbia, SC
- August 29–30, 2024, in Columbia, SC

[Registration Link for Institute for District Administrators \(IDA\) 26](#)

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