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Dear Educator,

We are pleased to announce that the application process for the 2016 Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts Leadership Academy is now open. This letter serves as an introduction to the content, time frames, requirements, and costs associated with the program.

The MCLA Leadership Academy has existed since 1997, and during that time, over 2,000 school and district leaders have obtained administrative credentials, developed content knowledge, experienced many cultural venues, thought about how equity and justice relate to their work, and made lasting connections with faculty and peers. Our program is designed for educators who seek to advance professionally while working.

The MCLA Leadership Academy is sanctioned by the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. We offer:

- A 16 month program start-to-finish;
- Affordable, public college tuition/fee rates;
- Accomplished and experienced faculty drawn from across the nation;
- A two-week summer residency, two-weekend residencies, and online courses;
- College supervisors who will travel to school/district sites to support internships;
- Approved licenses for Superintendent/Assistant Superintendent, Principal/Assistant Principal, and Supervisor/Director;
- New York educators have an avenue to acquire New York licensure as school building leader (SBL) and school district leader (SDL); and
- An additional 9-credit research sequence to complete a CAGS (Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study).

The program requirements and costs are outlined on additional documents provided online. Review of applications begins on December 15, 2015. For more information, and to apply, visit: http://www.mcla.edu/Academics/graduate/leadershipacademy/leadership2016/index

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