

PENNSYLVANIA EDUCATION POLICY FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM



2013-2014 APPLICATION FORM

EPFP Fellows:

- develop a broadened understanding of the policy process and the various aspects of education policy;
- enhance their communication and decision making skills;
- refine their potential for leadership; and
- expand their network of professional colleagues.

Pennsylvania Education Policy Fellowship Program

The Education Policy Fellowship Program (EPFP) is a professional development program for individuals whose work record reflects strong leadership abilities and a concern for issues important to children and education.

Participants in the Fellowship Program hold full-time positions in diverse organizations at the local, state, and national levels.

The program is available in Pennsylvania through The Education Policy and Leadership Center (EPLC). The nationally recognized EPFP was established more than 45 years ago by the Institute for Educational Leadership (IEL) in Washington, DC. IEL continues to support the program in the District of Columbia and through its network of state affiliates.

How is the EPFP different from other professional development programs?

EPFP is supported by a national and state network of resource people and peers who have a track record of accomplishment in research, policy development, and effective practice in education, child development, and human services.

In addition, a unique partnership with the U.S. Army War College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania provides EPFP Fellows with training in strategic leadership concepts.

The EPFP provides a comprehensive approach to knowledge and skill-building with a two-day opening retreat, nine full-day seminars in Harrisburg, one regional leadership forum, and one national policy seminar during a ten-month period.

The Pennsylvania Education Policy Fellowship Program is sponsored by:

The Education Policy and Leadership Center
800 North Third Street, Suite 408
Harrisburg, PA 17102
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Ron Cowell, President
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Mattie Robinson, Fellowship Program
Coordinator
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In collaboration with:
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For more information and to request additional applications, please call (717) 260-9900 or e-mail Mattie Robinson at robinson@eplc.org.

Enrollment is limited. Please apply early.



EPFP Class of 2012-2013

The EPFP was an invaluable source for me to get in touch with the issues and the complexity of public education. Meeting so many bright and interesting Fellows has brought a huge diversity to our discussions and helped me see our issues from many different perspectives. Now, when I am sitting in the leadership meetings in our school district, I am able to add positively and knowledgeably to the conversation. Finally as an Arts Director, I was able to help other districts who might have been struggling with their programs and show them how to create new opportunities for students. It was a great journey and I feel like I am part of a very exclusive club.

Mark A. Stutz (EPFP 2012-2013)
 Director of Visual and Performing Arts
 Parkland School District

From the perspective of an urban public school official, the EPFP was an invaluable resource of relevant and timely information; providing invaluable perspective on a wide variety of key educational issues. More importantly, however, the EPFP entirely transformed my behavior as a citizen; compelling me to advocate for my beliefs and empowering me to engage the political process with zeal and fervor.

Dr. Robert W. Culp (EPFP 2010-2011)
 Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction
 Allentown School District

The opportunity to network with top educational professionals across the state is not one to be missed. Having said that, the most valuable benefit to the Fellowship Program was the complete analysis of education in Pennsylvania. Highly qualified panelists present about K-12, Higher Education, Education/Community Partnerships, and Governmental Affairs as they pertain to education in Pennsylvania. This is a must for educational and governmental leaders across the state.

Dr. Erin Carlin (EPFP 2012-2013)
 Campus President
 YTI Career Institute

The Education Policy Fellowship Program brings together a diverse cohort of professionals from education, government, military, human services, business, and community organizations.

You are invited to apply if you have:

- A track record of making things happen – inside and across agencies/organizations.
- A full-time professional position and substantive work experience.
- A bachelor's degree or its equivalent.
- The endorsement and financial support of your employing organization.
- A commitment to personal and professional development.

What is my commitment if I am accepted as an EPFP Fellow?

- Participate in a two-day opening retreat and nine full-day seminars in Harrisburg over a ten-month period.
- Participate in a regional leadership forum and a national policy seminar.
- Share your experience and knowledge with other Fellows through presentations, class discussion, and class projects.
- Conduct independent study and research to expand on issues explored in the program.

How will my organization benefit from my participation in the EPFP?

Employers gain:

- Access to a professional development program with a proven track record.
- Better informed, more skillful employees.
- Employees who are ready to assume more leadership responsibilities.
- Expanded networks that enhance the organization's ability to access key leaders and decision makers who shape policy on behalf of children and education.

What is my employer's commitment in supporting my participation?

- Provide release time for your participation in the Harrisburg seminars, the regional forum, and the national seminar.
- Pay a tuition fee of \$2,950 plus all travel-related costs for the regional and national meetings and Harrisburg seminars.

Does participation in the EPFP qualify for Act 48 and SBA credits?

- The EPFP is not an approved Act 48 credit provider.
- EPLC is approved to provide State Board of Accountancy (SBA) credit to certified public accountants through December 31, 2013 and intends to renew its SBA credit

Pennsylvania EPFP 2013-2014 Seminar Calendar

	SESSION LOCATIONS
Opening Retreat:	Dixon University Center, Harrisburg
Regional Leadership Forum:	Gettysburg Battlefield and U.S. Army War College (Carlisle)
Monthly Seminars:	Dixon University Center, Harrisburg
IEL Washington Policy Seminar:	Washington, DC
Day at the Capitol:	Pennsylvania Department of Education/State Capitol
Graduation:	Harrisburg Hilton

DATE	SEMINAR TOPICS
Session 1 - Opening Retreat Part 1 Thursday, September 12 12:00 pm - 8:30 pm	Setting the Stage <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction to the EPFP Changes in Society, Demography, and Education Politics, Elections, and Public Policy in Pennsylvania Overview: Key Education Policy Issues
Session 1 - Opening Retreat Part 2 Friday, September 13 8:30 am - 3:00 pm	Making Public Policy in Pennsylvania <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fundamentals of Education Policymaking Intersection of Local-State-Federal Policymaking The Policy Players and the Process The Role of the State Board of Education and IRRRC The Role of Research and Data in Education Policy
Regional Leadership Forum, Part 1 Thursday, October 10 9:00 am - 8:00 pm Evening Reception and Pennsylvania EPFP Dinner	Lessons in Leadership on the Gettysburg Battlefield <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Joint Activity with Fellows from D.C., Massachusetts, Michigan, New York, and Ohio Guided tour of the Gettysburg Battlefield with Focus on Strategic Leadership Decisions that Directed Actions of Union and Confederate Armies Visit to Gettysburg Battlefield Visitors Center and Museum Travel to Carlisle, Reception, and Pennsylvania EPFP Dinner
Regional Leadership Forum, Part 2 Friday, October 11 8:30 am - 3:00 pm	Lessons in Strategic Leadership from the U.S. Army War College <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Joint Activity with Fellows from D.C., Massachusetts, Michigan, New York, and Ohio Leadership Lessons Learned from Gettysburg Leadership and Managing Change / Strategic Thinking for Leaders
Session 2 Friday, November 8 10:00 am - 4:30 pm	Leadership and Ethics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Characteristics of Ethical Leadership Ethical Leadership Challenges in Varied Organizations
Session 3 Friday, December 6 10:00 am - 4:30 pm	Ready for Success in College, Career, and Citizenship <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nurturing an Educated Citizenry and Educated Workforce Ready for Success—21st Century Skills The Arts, Museums, Libraries, and Lifelong Learning
Session 4 Friday, January 10 10:00 am - 4:30 pm	A Changing Education Environment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pennsylvania's Changing Demographics Adapting to the Needs of Our Diverse Student Population Preparing, Supporting, and Evaluating Educators Assessment and Accountability Roles of School Districts and School Boards
Session 5 Friday, February 7 10:00 am - 4:30 pm	P-12 Education Funding Issues <ul style="list-style-type: none"> History and Fundamentals of P-12 Finance in Pennsylvania Governor's Proposed 2014-2015 Education Budget Tough Decisions for Schools In Tough Budget Times
Session 6 Friday, February 28 10:00 am - 4:30 pm	School Choices <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vouchers, Charters, and Public School Choices Technology and New Opportunities
Session 7 Friday, March 21 10:00 am - 4:30 pm	Higher Education Policy Issues <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Governance and Funding of Higher Education Higher Education Quality and Accountability Linking Education and Workforce Development Policy
Session 8 Friday, April 11 10:00 am - 4:30 pm	Leadership for Partnerships and Public Advocacy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family, School, and Community Partnerships Collaboration and Building Coalitions Making an Impact with Elected Officials
National Meeting April 27-30	IEL/EPLC Washington Policy Seminar Washington, DC
Session 9 Friday, May 16 10:00 am - 3:00 pm	Group Project Reports: Contributing to the Education Policy Agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Washington Policy Seminar Debrief Group Project Reports
Session 10 Tuesday, June 3 10:00 am - 4:30 pm	Day at the State Capitol <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Briefings by Key Education Policy Staff Visit Legislative Offices and Present Policy Project Briefings
Graduation Thursday, June 26	Graduation and Recognition of Fellows, Sponsors, and Alumni Harrisburg Hilton Hotel

Each Fellow has a vested interest in education, and EPLC provides the resources and tools to further enhance your ability to improve education for all Pennsylvanians.

Eric R. Holtzman
(2012-2013)
Business Administrator
Tuscarora School District

The speakers' expertise and the quality of the Fellowship Program have been inspiring. The Program has opened my eyes to the importance of electing state and local leaders who value education. It has also been a wonderful experience to work with other educators on group policy projects to attempt to tackle real world educational problems.

Edward Garcia Fierros, Ph.D.
(EPFP 2012-2013)
Associate Professor and Chairperson,
Department of Education and
Counseling
Villanova University

The Fellowship Program is an excellent opportunity to learn from the leaders and policy makers in Pennsylvania and Washington whose decisions impact the students in our classrooms every day. The exchange of ideas, the knowledge and commitment of the staff, and the relationships built throughout the year offer a rich and varied learning experience unlike any other.

W. Gerard Oleksiak
(EPFP 2011-2012)
Vice President
Pennsylvania State Education
Association

I knew the Fellows Program would be a professional development "stretch" for me. It has not disappointed and I have learned a great deal about the inner-workings of our educational systems.

Dr. Steven T. Williams
(EPFP 2012-2013)
Associate Professor of Mathematics
and Coordinator of the Secondary
Mathematics Education Program
Lock Haven University of PA

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Name of Applicant _____

Professional Title _____

Organization/Institution _____

Work Address _____

Office Phone _____

Home County _____

Home Address _____

Home / Mobile Phone _____

E-mail _____

SBA Credits

The EPFP is certified to provide State Board of Accountancy (SBA) credits to certified public accountants for all the EPFP sessions in 2013, and in 2014 will apply for recertification for those EPFP sessions. Please check here if you are interested in receiving SBA credits.

SBA Credit _____

Education (Please cite most recent experience first)

University/College _____ Degree _____ Date _____

Work Experience (Please list current position first)

Title _____

Dates Employed _____

Employer's Name & Address _____

Title _____

Dates Employed _____

Employer's Name & Address _____

Other Significant Experience _____

The Employer/Sponsor Endorsement on reverse side must be completed for the application to be considered.

ENDORSEMENT:

TO THE SUPERVISOR/EMPLOYING AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE:

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Your signature affirms (1) your employee's release time for full participation in the Fellowship Program and (2) payment of program-related costs, including program fee of \$2,950. If you have any questions,

TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT

Printed Name _____

Signature _____ Date _____

TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISOR/SPONSOR

Printed Name _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Supervisor's Title _____

Supervisor's Organization/Institution _____

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Office Phone _____ Office Fax _____

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The Education Policy and Leadership Center
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Harrisburg, PA 17102

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Pennsylvania Education Policy Fellowship Program Past Seminar Speakers

Participants in the EPFP will have the opportunity to interact with many of Pennsylvania's leaders and education practitioners, who represent a variety of perspectives on education policy issues. Although this is not an all-inclusive list, the following people have been speakers in past EPFP seminars. Titles and organizations listed are the positions the speakers held at the time of their presentations.

Colonel Charles D. Allen, Professor of Cultural Science, Department of Command, Leadership and Management, U.S. Army War College

Carolyn Angelo, Executive Director, Professional Standards and Practices Commission

Brian Armstead, Director of Policy and Partnerships, Philadelphia Education Fund

Dr. Joseph Bard, Executive Director, PA Association of Rural and Small Schools

Gene Barr, President and CEO, PA Chamber of Business and Industry

Joan Benso, President and CEO, Pennsylvania Partnerships for Children

Diane Bosak, Executive Director, Pennsylvania Commission for Community Colleges

David Broderic, Executive Director, Senate Education Committee

Lee Burket, Chief, Bureau of Career and Technical Education, Pennsylvania Department of Education

Diane Castelbuono, Deputy Secretary, Pennsylvania Department of Education

Jennifer Cleghorn, Director of Education, Team PA Foundation

Donna Cooper, Secretary of Policy and Planning, Office of the Governor

Peter DeCoursey, Bureau Chief, Capitolwire

Dr. John A. DeFlaminis, Executive Director, Penn Center for Educational Leadership, University of Pennsylvania

Dr. Mark D. DiRocco, Superintendent, Lewisburg Area School District

Dr. Carolyn Dumaresq, Deputy Secretary, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, Pennsylvania Department of Education

Dr. Joan Duvall-Flynn, Chair, Education Committee, NAACP

Eric C. Eshbach, Ed.D., Superintendent, Upper Adams School District

Arnold Fege, President, Public Advocacy for Kids

Michelle Figlar, Executive Director, Pittsburgh Association for the Education of Young Children

Daniel Fogarty, Project Manager, Pennsylvania Center for Advance Manufacturing Careers and Member, Pennsylvania State Board of Education

Dr. Gene Freeman, Superintendent, Manheim Township School District

Dr. Edward Fuller, Director, Penn State Center for Education Evaluation and Policy Analysis

Dr. Peter H. Garland, Acting Chancellor, Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education

Dr. Robert Garraty, Executive Director, PA Workforce Investment Board

Thomas Gentzel, Executive Director, National School Boards Association

Karl R. Girton, Chair, Pennsylvania State Board of Education

Thomas Gluck, Executive Deputy Secretary, Pennsylvania Department of Education

Dr. Paula Hess, Former Senior Advisor to the Pennsylvania House Speaker and Majority Leader

Jay Himes, Executive Director, Pennsylvania Association of School Business Officials

Holly Jobe, President, International Society for Technology in Education

Larry Jones, President, Pennsylvania Coalition of Public Charter Schools

Commander Traci A. Keegan, U.S. Navy, Director of Human Resources Development, U.S. Army War College

Mark Lafer, Senior Policy Research Analyst, Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency

Marianne LeDonne, Director, Regional Choice Initiative, Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit

Marcus S. Lingenfelter, Director of State Relations, National Science + Math Initiative

Dr. G. Terry Madonna, Director, Center for Politics & Public Affairs, Franklin & Marshall College

Roberta M. Marcus, Master School Board Member, Parkland School District and Past President, Pennsylvania School Boards Association

John Maurer, State Capital Office Coordinator, Pennsylvania State Data Center

Clyde McGeary, Former Chief, Division of Arts and Sciences, Pennsylvania Department of Education

Dr. C. Kent McGuire, Dean, College of Education, Temple University

Karen Molchanow, Executive Director, Pennsylvania State Board of Education

Amy C. Morton, Executive Deputy Secretary, Pennsylvania Department of Education

Dr. Edward J. Nolan, Executive Director, House Appropriations Committee

Dr. Hector R. Ortiz, Director of Health Equity, Pennsylvania Department of Health

Dr. Vicki Phillips, Secretary of Education, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Senator Jeffrey Piccola, Chairman of the Senate Education Committee

Jeremy Plant, Professor, Public Policy Administration, Penn State Harrisburg

Pamela Price, Director of Board Development Services, Pennsylvania School Boards Association

Tara Purcell, Legislation and Advocacy Chair, Pennsylvania PTA

Tim Reeves, Press Secretary to Governor Ridge

Dr. Kathleen Shaw, Deputy Secretary for Postsecondary and Higher Education, Pennsylvania Department of Education

Rev. Sandra L. Strauss, Director of Public Advocacy, Pennsylvania Council of Churches

Stinson Stroup, Executive Director, Pennsylvania Association of School Administrators

Representative P. Michael Sturla, Pennsylvania House of Representatives

Dr. John J. "Ski" Sygielski, President, Harrisburg Area Community College

Christopher Wakeley, Executive Director, House Education Committee

Thomas Wolf, Chair and CEO, The Wolf Organization

Rob Wonderling, President and CEO, Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce and former PA Senator

Michael Wood, Research Director, The Pennsylvania Budget and Policy Center

Shelly Yanoff, Executive Director, Public Citizens for Children and Youth

Kathy Yorkievtz, Executive Director, Pennsylvania Head Start Association

Dr. Gerald Zahorchak, Secretary of Education, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Beth Zampogna, Assistant Director of Government Relations, Pennsylvania State Education Association

Charles B. Zogby, Secretary of Education, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Pennsylvania Education Policy Fellowship Program Alumni

Titles and organizations listed are the positions held by the Fellows in Classes 2007-2008 through 2012-2013 at the time of their participation in the EFPF. Please visit the EPLC web site, www.eplc.org, for the full list of EFPF Fellows since 1999.

Judy Ball (2011-2012)
Educational Consultant
PA Training & Technical Assistance
Network

Dr. Andrew Barnette (2008-2009)
Dean, Public Service, Humanities, and
Social Sciences
Westmoreland County Community
College

Jason Billups (2011-2012)
Executive Director of Data & Systems
Pennsylvania Virtual Charter School

Kisha Bird (2007-2008)
Project Director, PA Statewide
Afterschool/Youth Development Network
Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit

Andrew Bitz (2010-2011)
Assistant Principal
Mechanicsburg Area Senior High

Paul Bigham (2009-2010)
Acting Director of Student Services
Mechanicsburg Area School District

Amy Boyd (2009-2010)
Title 1 Coordinator
Commonwealth Connections Academy

Rep. Kevin J. Boyle (2011-2012)
State Representative, 172nd Legislative
District
Pennsylvania House of Representatives

Corinne Brandt (2011-2012)
Manager of Policy Information and
Programs
The Education Policy and Leadership
Center

Tamalee Brassington (2012-2013)
Division Manager
Bureau of Career & Technical Education
Pennsylvania Department of Education

Dawn Brookhart (2011-2012)
Director of Curriculum, Instruction and
Technology
Danville Area School District

Rhonda A. Brunner, Ed.D. (2011-2012)
Superintendent of Schools
West Perry School District

Damali Brunson-Murray (2007-2008)
Assistant Director of Regional Services
AES/PHEAA

Christopher Budano (2011-2012)
Assistant Director of Education Services
PA State Education Association

Emily Byrne (2009-2010)
Program Manager
OMG Center for Collaborative Learning

Diana Campbell (2010-2011)
Director, Philadelphia Teacher
Residency
Philadelphia Education Fund

Dr. Erin Carlin (2012-2013)
Campus President
YTI Career Institute

Bobbie Cartus (2008-2009)
Pennsylvania Distinguished Educator
Pennsylvania Department of Education

Jonathan Cetel (2011-2012)
Director of Strategic Initiatives
KIPP Philadelphia Schools

Dawn Chavous (2008-2009)
Chief of Staff
Senator Anthony Williams' Office

Michael Christian (2007-2008)
Assistant Superintendent
Garnet Valley School District

Dr. Joseph Clapper (2008-2009)
Superintendent
Quaker Valley School District

Phyllis Charmaine Comer (2008-2009)
Educational Consultant
Comer Educational Consulting Services

Kathleen (Kacy) S. Conley (2012-2013)
Director of the Pennsylvania Afterschool/
Youth Development Network
Center for Schools and Communities

Sarah Coon (2007-2008)
Executive Director, Learning Policy
Center
University of Pittsburgh

David Corvi (2009-2010)
English Department Chair
Boys' Latin of Philadelphia Charter
School

Dr. Trisha Craig (2009-2010)
Director of Curriculum
Fort Cherry School District

Dr. Kim Creasy (2008-2009)
ELEC Department
Slippery Rock University

Jordan Crosby (2010-2011)
Director, Arts and Education Initiative
The Education Policy and Leadership
Center

Michael Crossey (2007-2008)
Vice President
PA State Education Association

Dr. Robert Culp (2010-2011)
Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum &
Instruction
Allentown School District

Mary Curley (2012-2013)
Director of Communications
Chester County Intermediate Unit

Dr. Kelly Davenport (2009-2010)
Head of School
Freire Charter School

Colonel Lee DeRemer (2007-2008)
United States Army
U.S. Army War College

Colonel Joseph "Camel" Dill
(2011-2012)
Professor
U.S. Army War College

Dr. Robert Dinnen (2009-2010)
Superintendent
Fort Cherry School District

Diane Donaher (2007-2008)
Director of Strategic Partnership Resource
Development
United Way of the Greater Lehigh Valley

Dana D'Orazio (2012-2013)
Coordinator of Leadership and Learning
Philadelphia Youth Network

Michael Dotts (2010-2011)
Higher Education Associate 2
Pennsylvania Department of Education

Deborah Dunstone (2011-2012)
President-Elect
Pennsylvania PTA

Dr. John Durnin (2011-2012)
Professor, Department of Education and
Human Services
Villanova University

Dr. Ronald Dyer (2009-2010)
Assistant Superintendent
Dallastown Area School District

Robin Eckert (2010-2011)
Associate Professor Early Childhood
Education
Reading Area Community College

Dr. Stephanie Edel-Malizia (2012-2013)
Director of Education Programs for
Academic Outreach
Penn State University

Kristle Evans (2010-2011)
Director of Human Resources/Community
Relations
Lampeter-Strasburg School District

Nicole Fairchild (2010-2011)
Principal
Berwick Area Middle School

Edward Garcia Fierros, Ph.D.
(2012-2013)
Chairperson and Associate Professor
Department of Education and Counseling
Villanova University

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George Fike (2008-2009)
Business Manager
West York Area School District

Daniel Fink (2010-2011)
Communications Director
YorkCounts

Rachel Finley-Bowman, Ph.D.
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Associate Professor/Department Chair
Department of Education
Elizabethtown College

Jennifer Fislser, Ed.D. (2011-2012)
Director of Teacher Education and
Associate Professor
Messiah College

Rebecca Fogle (2012-2013)
Educational Consultant
Pennsylvania Training & Technical
Assistance Network (PaTTAN)

Dr. Erica Frankenberg (2010-2011)
Assistant Professor
Department of Education Policy Studies
Pennsylvania State University

Gene Freeman, Ed.D. (2011-2012)
Superintendent
Manheim Township School District

Jesse Fry (2011-2012)
Regional Coordinator/Basic Education
Associate
PA Department of Education

Heather Frye (2010-2011)
Vice-President - Operations & Network
Services
Communities In Schools of Pennsylvania

Dr. Edward Fuller (2011-2012)
Associate Professor, College of Education
Penn State University

Dr. Francine Fulton (2007-2008)
Chief Executive Officer
Imani Education Circle Charter School

Diane Funsten (2012-2013)
Educational Consultant
Pennsylvania Training and Technical
Assistance Network (PaTTAN)

Dr. Darrell Garber (2009-2010)
Dean, College of Education
Kutztown University

Luis Garcia (2010-2011)
Director, Student Access and Support
The Pennsylvania State System of Higher
Education

Dr. Michael Gibbs (2008-2009)
Central Region Coordinator
PA Distinguished Educator Program

Susan Gobreski (2008-2009)
Executive Director
Education Voters PA

Dr. Kevin Godfrey (2007-2008)
Assistant Professor of Theology/Dean of
Arts & Sciences
Alvernia College

Dr. Cynthia Goldsworthy (2007-2008)
Assistant to the Superintendent
Derry Township School District

Daniel Green (2011-2012)
Research Associate
Legislative Policy & Research Office,
PA House of Representatives,
Democratic Caucus

Susan M. Green (2011-2012)
Business Manager
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Dean, College of Education and Human
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Clarion University of Pennsylvania

Harry Gutelius (2009-2010)
Associate Dean, School of Education
Eastern University

Heather Hallman (2007-2008)
Legislative Aide
Office of Representative Beverly
Mackereth

Diane Halstead (2008-2009)
Director - Business Partnerships
Pennsylvania Key, Berks County
Intermediate Unit

David Harris (2008-2009)
High School Principal
Mechanicsburg Area School District

Captain James Heffernan (2009-2010)
United States Army
U.S. Army War College

Phyllis Heverly Flesher (2010-2011)
Assistant Director of Business Affairs
Cornwall-Lebanon School District

Sarah Hollister (2008-2009)
Policy Analyst
Pennsylvania Department of Education

Eric R. Holtzman (2012-2013)
Business Administrator
Tuscarora School District

Dr. Marilyn Hoyson (2008-2009)
Chief Operating Officer
The Watson Institute

Julia Huff (2008-2009)
Supervisor of Elementary Curriculum
Mechanicsburg Area School District

Dr. Jill Jacoby (2009-2010)
Elementary Principal
Fort Cherry School District

Douglas Jensen (2011-2012)
Dean, Workforce Development
Westmoreland County Community
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Barbara Walvort Jewett (2012-2013)
Assistant to the Executive Director
Pennsylvania Association of School
Administrators (PASA)

Jean M. Johnson (2011-2012)
Librarian for Education/Team Leader
Lehigh University

Dr. Tracey Johnson (2008-2009)
Director of Education Programs
Chatham University

Howard Jones, Jr. (2009-2010)
Community Service Coordinator
Millersville University

Ron Jumper, Jr., Esq. (2008-2009)
Counsel, Office of Democratic Caucus
Chairman
Senate of Pennsylvania

Camilla Kasales (2009-2010)
Administrative Support and Curriculum
Manager
Commonwealth Connections Academy

Commander Traci Keegan (2010-2011)
United States Navy
U.S. Army War College

Antonia F. Keg (2011-2012)
Elementary Co-Chair, Parent Teacher
Organization Council
West Chester Area School District

Gregory Kelly (2007-2008)
Professor, Department Head, Curriculum
& Instruction
Penn State University

Kathleen Kennedy-Reilly (2011-2012)
Lecturer, Education Department
Delaware Valley College

William H. Kerr, Ed.D. (2012-2013)
Superintendent of Schools
Norwin School District

Brent A. Kessler (2012-2013)
Business Manager/Board Secretary
Central York School District

Colonel Scott D. King (2011-2012)
Professor
Department of Academic Affairs
U.S. Army War College

Dana Klouser (2007-2008)
Administrative Officer/Program Manager
PA Department of Education

Dr. John Kurelja (2009-2010)
Curriculum Coordinator
Central Columbia School District

Melissa Landrau (2012-2013)
Director, College Assistance Migrant
Program
Penn State University

Grace Lani (2012-2013)
Director of Curriculum and Instruction
Canon-McMillan School District

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Dr. David B. Lapinsky (2011-2012)
Director of Career & Technical Programs
Lehigh Career & Technical Institute

Peggy Lee-Clark (2010-2011)
Assistant to the President
Montgomery County Community College

Aimee LeFevers (2007-2008)
Western PA Organizer
Good Schools Pennsylvania

Dr. Mark Leidy (2007-2008)
Chief Academic Officer
Mechanicsburg Area School District

Julie Lesitsky (2009-2010)
President-Elect
Pennsylvania PTA

Dr. Kristen Lewald (2007-2008)
PVAAS Statewide Project Director
Lancaster-Lebanon I.U. #13

Dr. Mark Lewis (2009-2010)
Director
PA Parent Information & Resource
Center

Dr. Patricia Louison (2008-2009)
Director of Undergraduate Studies
Temple University

Nathan Mains (2009-2010)
President & State Director
Communities In Schools of Pennsylvania

Matthew Malinowski (2009-2010)
Director of Business Affairs
School District of Cheltenham Township

Dr. Mark McGalla (2010-2011)
Middle School Principal
Lehigh Area School District

Bill McGill (2008-2009)
Director of Technical Assistance
Pennsylvania Association of School
Business Officials

Dr. Kathleen McKinnon (2009-2010)
Coordinator of Teacher Education for
Special Education
Pennsylvania State University

Susan Moore McJunkin (2010-2011)
Program Specialist
Division of Public Programming
Carnegie Museum of Natural History

Gary Means (2010-2011)
Director/Financial Aid
Westmoreland County Community
College

Carmen Medina (2009-2010)
Chief, Division of Student Services and
Migrant Education
Pennsylvania Department of Education

Dr. Joseph Melusky (2009-2010)
Chair, Education Department
Saint Francis University

Dawn Merris (2011-2012)
School Board President
Mechanicsburg Area School District

Marilyn Messina (2012-2013)
President, Woodland Hills School Board
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I thoroughly enjoyed my experience this year. I have grown so much as a leader, from the presentations and the group interaction. I feel much more secure in my new role as a school leader.

Camilla Kasales (EPPF 2009-2010)
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The EPLC program has far exceeded my expectations. Not only has the program kept me informed and up-to-date with the latest educational policy news, it has afforded me the opportunity to gain the perspective of and work directly with people I otherwise would not have had the opportunity to work with on crucial educational issues affecting the Commonwealth. EPPF has been, by far, one of the most valuable programs in which I have invested my time.

Michael R. Wilson (EPPF 2011-2012)
Special Assistant to the Secretary
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This Fellowship has been a profoundly worthwhile endeavor from the start. Beginning with the practical application of leadership theories during the high quality opening sessions, through the refinement and enhancement of my understanding of policy initiatives derived from the many excellent guest speakers as well as group work experiences, to the camaraderie and professional respect built among the Fellows throughout the year. The entire experiences is one that I will value and draw from throughout my career.

Dr. Mary Ellen Wells
(EPPF 2008-2009)
Associate Professor and Chair, Business
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I have found the Fellowship Program to be an enlightening experience. My eyes have been opened up to the field of education policy!

Diane Funsten (EPPF 2012-2013)
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Schedule at a Glance

Opening Retreat

Dixon University Center, Harrisburg

September 12, 2013 (12:00 pm - 8:30 pm)
September 13, 2013 (8:30 am - 3:00 pm)

Regional Leadership Forum

Gettysburg Battlefield, PA
U.S. Army War College, Carlisle, PA

October 10, 2013
October 11, 2013

Washington Policy Seminar

April 27-30, 2014

Day at the State Capitol

June 3, 2014 (10:00 am - 3:00 pm)

Monthly Seminars

Fridays from 10:00 am - 4:30 pm
Dixon University Center, Harrisburg

November 8, 2013
December 6, 2013
January 10, 2014
February 7, 2014
February 28, 2014
March 21, 2014
April 11, 2014
May 16, 2014

Graduation Luncheon

Noon - 3:00 pm
Harrisburg Hilton

June 26, 2014

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