



Delaware's State-Approved Alternative Administrative Certification Programs

Delaware has three state-approved Alternative Administrator Certification programs for educators who are seeking administrator certification to become an Assistant Principal, Principal, or a Special Education Director.

University of Delaware Principal Preparation Program (UDEL PPP)

<http://www.dasl.udel.edu/home/principal-preparation-program/> (302-500-7033)

UD PPP program offers an alternative route to achieving an **assistant principal/principal certificate**. UDEL PPP participants are engaged in action research through University of Delaware coursework while interning with principals who have a proven track record of success. Each program component supports student development of five core competencies which align with the Professional Standards for Educational Leaders (PSEL) and the National Educational Leadership Preparation (NELP) standards

University of Delaware Special Education Administrative Leadership (SEAL) Program

<https://www.cds.udel.edu/seal/> (302-831-4689)

SEAL provides participants opportunities to deepen their knowledge and skills related to both leadership and special education issues and administration. This program offers an alternative route to achieving a **special education director certification**. In addition to traditional coursework, participants receive numerous experiential learning opportunities, including short and long term internships and an action research project addressing an authentic challenge. They also receive follow-up support upon completing the program.

Lead For Delaware (LFD) Program of 4th Dimension

<https://4thdimensionleaders.org>

Lead For Delaware is an innovative, highly-selective, alternative route for **assistant principal/principal certification**. LFD recruits, trains and certifies high-potential leaders to serve in high-needs public schools across the state of Delaware. LFD is a two-year, soft skills-focused, alternative-route school leader development and certification program. Engaging participants in more than 1500 hours of both professional learning and clinical practice, the program develops and certifies leaders who wish to see all kids receive a high-quality education, with no regard to their zip code.

Questions?

Answers to most questions can be found at:

<https://www.doe.k12.de.us/certification>

If additional assistance is needed, email:

deeds@doe.k12.de.us

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