



#### **A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY**

Through a unique partnership between Concordia University Texas and Leander Independent School District, high potential LISD teachers have the opportunity to earn their Master of Education (MEd) degree with a specialization in Educational Administration. Unlike other principal preparation programs, the LISD Aspiring Leader Program offers students the opportunity to advance in their careers with a distinctly LISD-oriented approach.

#### **PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

The Master of Education degree prepares educators to enter school administration. Candidates will also have the opportunity to be certified in AEL and T-TESS/LEADS (LISD) for evaluating teachers and will get the preparation they need for the Principal as Instructional Leader Certification. You can earn the MEd in two years by taking classes in six consecutive semesters, assuming successful completion of qualifying benchmarks set throughout the program.

#### **NEW TEA REQUIREMENTS FOR PRINCIPAL CERTIFICATION**

TEA has introduced a new process for principal certification that identifies the knowledge, skills and mindsets needed for beginning campus leaders to be effective. CTX has aligned all principal preparation coursework to meet the demands of the new 268 exam and has incorporated TEA-recommended textbooks. We develop outstanding instructional leaders who are prepared to obtain the Principal as Instructional Leader Certification.

#### **INTERNSHIP**

All candidates seeking principal certification will also complete a 16-week internship that includes a campus-based action research project of the student's design. The project ensures the student's capstone learning experience is truly relevant to their day-to-day work while providing key insights for LISD leadership.

LISD Aspiring Leaders will attend courses at Cedar Park High School that are taught both by stellar Concordia University Texas faculty and outstanding LISD leaders, who will serve as adjunct professors.



## LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

### STUDENTS WILL DISCOVER:

- ▶ Faculty who combine impressive academic qualifications with extensive professional experience,
- ▶ Highly relevant curriculum designed to meet individual student needs, and
- ▶ A friendly community of classmates all focused on professional development that supports the goals and values of LISD.

## CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY TEXAS

Founded in 1926, Concordia University Texas is proud to be Austin's leading Christian university where Christ is honored and where students of all backgrounds are welcome. We are guided by our vision to be the premier university where the adventure of faith, learning and life-changing experiences leads to meaningful work.

CTX is a regionally accredited institution of higher education, offering undergraduate and graduate degrees through a variety of delivery methods. We offer more than 20 majors across four colleges.

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## FINANCIAL AID

- ▶ All LISD employees will receive a tuition discount of \$50 per credit hour for a total savings of \$1,500.
- ▶ Complete the FAFSA at [studentaid.ed.gov](http://studentaid.ed.gov) with school code 003557 to access all available aid.
- ▶ All eligible veteran's benefits are accepted.
- ▶ Various payment options and plans are available.



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