



The Prairie Centre for Christian Education



ELDI 2018 PROGRAM DETAILS

ELDI targets educators in Christian schools who have demonstrated leadership gifts and abilities, and those who are interested in exploring a future in Christian school administration. The Institute is designed to help Christian teachers explore administration and the related key life questions:

- Has God gifted you for leadership?
- What might that leadership look like in the context of Christian schooling?

This year's Institute will be:

July 9-13, 2018 at Cedar Springs Retreat Center in Sumas, WA

- Selected applicants must be able to stay on the conference site for the duration of the Institute. This conference is not designed for spouses to come along.
- Any Christian Schools International teacher with three or more years of successful teaching experience may apply.
- Preference given to those who have not previously held a school-related administrative position.

FORMAT

Participants learn through interactive sessions using panel discussions, lecture presentations, and small group interaction. Related daily readings from current and classic education authors provide background and perspective. Participants eat together, study together, and live together at the Institute venues in order to increase learning and cohesiveness.

FACILITATORS

Christian Schools International coordinates the ELDI program in partnership with Calvin College and with our three Canadian regions. A team of four or five Christian school leaders facilitate the program. Other successful administrators and professional educators may participate to provide their personal stories and expertise.

ELDI 2018 PROGRAM OUTLINE

(subject to revision. Updates will be provided if necessary)

Monday

- What do principals do? What is leadership?
- Schools as Communities of Grace

Tuesday

- Leadership Strengths
- Leading Change

Wednesday

- School Governance
- Leadership Style/Finding Balance

Thursday

- Instructional Leadership
- Day in the Life Simulation

Friday

- Wrap-Up and Dismissal

FUNDING

Christian Schools International, through its donor base, underwrites the majority of the cost. Participants pay a USD \$250 fee. All other food, lodging, and tuition costs, plus up to a USD \$500 allowance for travel, are covered by Christian Schools International for participants from Christian Schools International member schools. Participants from a non-member school are responsible for their own travel expenses.

TRAVEL

- **PLEASE NOTE: VALID PASSPORTS ARE REQUIRED FOR ALL TRAVEL BETWEEN COUNTRIES.**
- You will be reimbursed for your travel costs *after* the session is held. Upon submission of your travel receipts to CSI, reimbursements will be mailed within three weeks.
- Plan to arrive in time to begin class at 7:45 a.m. Monday. You are free to leave after 10:00 a.m. on Friday.
- Institute lodging is provided Sunday through Thursday nights. Rooms will not be available beyond Thursday night.

LODGING AND MEALS

- Lodging and meals will be at the institute venue, except for specific dinners that will be off campus.
- During the Institute, you must stay at the venue, even if you live in the area. All scheduled meals will be as a group. We want to develop community and networking among the participants. Evening activities are planned for each night.
- Lodging will be double occupancy. Rooms are similar to a standard hotel room, with linens and towels provided. This conference is not designed for spouses to come along.

GRADUATE CREDIT

- Further information will be available at the Institute regarding this option.

APPLICATION DETAILS

Related details, as well as the application links, can be viewed on the Christian Schools International website at <http://www.csionline.org/eldi>.

Questions: Contact Joel Westa at jwesta@csionline.org or 800-635-8288 ext 254

***All applications and supporting documents are due to Christian Schools International
no later than March 30, 2018***