Leadership Academy Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

1. **What is the time commitment for the Leadership Academy?**

   This is a one-year program. The program will entail five (5) sessions of professional development. Some articles and books will be used as part of the program which will require some time to read. You will also implement a leadership project in the district.

2. **Do I need to attend all sessions or can I pick?**

   It is expected that you will attend all five Leadership Academy sessions. There are optional Connecticut Association of Schools (CAS) sessions that you can choose to attend.

3. **What is the deadline to apply to the Leadership Academy?**

   The deadline to apply is **Monday, May 21, 2018.**

4. **Is this program only for people who want to be administrators?**

   No. The program is for aspiring teacher leaders, current teacher leaders, aspiring administrators, and already effective teachers looking to increase their personal and professional growth.

5. **Is this an 092 program and/or does it count towards my sixth year?**

   This is not an 092 or 6th year program and is not affiliated with a university. The advantage is that this opportunity is FREE! It is targeted professional development and it is something that could certainly enhance your professional practice.

6. **Do I need letters of recommendation to apply?**

   No you do not need letters of recommendation. The application, also found on the district website under the Assistant Superintendent’s section, asks you for the names of two references.

7. **What is the project all about?**

   As part of the Academy experience, you will utilize knowledge and skills gained by completing a project in your school or in the district. Throughout the course of the year, you will develop a project proposal and implement the project. The project may be tied to your school improvement plan, the district improvement plan, or an area you identify as a need. You will work closely with an administrator for any guidance and assistance you may need as you implement the project.