Pendergast Partners with Hispanic Administrators for Unique B.E.E.S. Institute

A new generation of aspiring administrators will “Bee Extraordinarily Effective Stewards.”

The Pendergast Elementary School District in partnership with the Arizona Hispanic School Administrators Association is sponsoring a comprehensive, ten weekend academy for new and aspiring principals. This rigorous professional development opportunity has been designed to meet the challenges of the new millennium. The focus is on developing and refining applied leadership and management skills required of principals at the elementary, middle grades and high school levels.

B.E.E.S. provides the application of theory for site administrators through seminars, workshops and interactive sessions that will feature educational administration experts and experienced school principals. Additionally, each participant will be assigned a mentor to help ensure their success.

The institute offers 100 hours of instruction over ten weekend sessions, Friday evenings, 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., and Saturdays, 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The extensive course syllabus and materials provided to participants are exceptional resources for ongoing reference and career planning. The B.E.E.S. Academy Topics include: Principal Leadership, Leading the Implementation of the Common Core State Standards, Learning Assessments, Change and Growth, School Climate and Culture, Communication, Finance, Personnel/School Law, Protocols, Blended Learning and Effective Walkthroughs/Teacher Observations-Evaluations.

According to Dr. Lily Matos DeBlieux and Dora Barrio, B.E.E.S. Institute Directors, “This is an amazing opportunity for our future leaders to receive the training and mentoring they need to be successful administrators working with students, staffs, families and the community. The Institute has been planned to showcase our local talent and enable school districts to hire the best in our profession.”

The Institute will be located at the Pendergast Learning Center at 3841 N. 91st Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85037 beginning October 3, 2014 and ending June 27, 2015 with a dinner and graduation. Registration is open to everyone with PESD staff attending at a cost of $700 and Non-PESD staff attending at a rate of $1,100.

Enrollment is limited to the first 30 registrants and participants will earn 3 hours of professional development credit from Northern Arizona University, per course, which may be used for superintendent or principal recertification - at no extra cost. Participants may also elect to earn 3 hours of graduate credit - per selected institute courses - from Northern Arizona University, which may be applied toward recertification and/or the Masters Degree in Educational Leadership.

For further information or to register, please contact Dr. Lily Matos DeBlieux at ldeblieux@pesd92.org or Dora Barrio at dbarrio@pesd92.org.