Date: October 6, 2021

To: Chief School Administrators, Charter School and Renaissance School Project Leads, and Deans and

Directors of Educator Preparation Providers

Route To: School Leaders, Teaching Staff, Educational Services Professionals, Educator Preparation Faculty

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Division of Field Support and Services

Deadline: November 10, 2021

NJDOE Seeks Applicants for the State Professional Learning Committee

The New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) is seeking individuals to fill eight <u>State Professional Learning Committee (SPLC)</u> openings for the next term, beginning January 2022. SPLC members benefit from opportunities for professional growth and networking as well as the opportunity to shape state decisions and policies around educator professional development that ultimately impact teacher quality and student success.

Background

The SPLC is a 16 member team comprised of six teachers, with at least one from a charter school and at least one each from the following levels: high school, middle school, and elementary school; six school leaders, including three principals and three school district administrators, with at least one of the six from a charter school; one member of a district board of education; two representatives from educator preparation programs, with at least one member representing an alternate-route educator preparation provider; and one parent or community member. In accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:9C-4.5(c), the members of the SPLC are appointed by the Commissioner of Education.

The SPLC may:

- Advise the Commissioner on matters pertaining to educator professional development requirements;
- Develop and recommend a periodic review process for school district professional development plans;
- Develop and recommend updated Professional Standards for Teachers and Professional Standards for School Leaders;
- Review implementation of professional development requirements for educators and provide ongoing recommendations;
- Develop and recommend a periodic audit process for school district mentoring plans; and
- Recommend criteria in the selection of professional development providers.

Interested applicants must:

- Submit an <u>application</u> and current resume by November 10, 2021;
- Be a member of one of the groups listed in the "Background" section above;
- Serve a three-year term;
- Dedicate approximately 20 hours per year to carry out duties of the SPLC; and
- Attend up to eight meetings (virtual or in-person) per year.

Membership on the SPLC is voluntary and does not include meals, mileage reimbursement, or stipends.

For questions, please email Shai Dunham at Shai.Dunham@doe.nj.gov in the NJDOE's Office of Professional Learning.	
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