Training Course on Succession Planning for Educational Leadership Roles

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Educational Leadership and Management	**Duration**	5 Days
Base Fee	$1,500 USD	**Delivery Mode**	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

1. Understand strategic succession planning in K-12 and higher education institutions.
2. Identify high-potential leadership talent through performance analytics.
3. Develop leadership competency frameworks for future-ready leaders.
4. Integrate succession planning with school improvement strategies.
5. Implement mentorship and coaching programs for leadership growth.
6. Use digital leadership assessment tools for talent management.
7. Align diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) in leadership pipelines.
8. Apply crisis management insights to leadership transitions.
9. Design performance-based leadership development plans.
10. Analyze succession risks and build leadership continuity models.
11. Create succession timelines using AI-based planning software.
12. Evaluate succession plans with key performance indicators (KPIs).
13. Build stakeholder engagement strategies for leadership transition.

Target Audiences:

1. School Principals and Assistant Principals
2. Superintendents and District Leaders
3. HR Professionals in Education
4. Board of Education Members
5. Educational Policy Makers
6. Aspiring School Leaders
7. Teacher Leaders and Department Heads
8. Leadership Coaches and Mentors

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Course Modules

Module 1: Foundations of Succession Planning in Education

- Definition and evolution of succession planning
- Importance for institutional sustainability
- Legal and policy considerations
- Key succession trends in education
- Common pitfalls in school systems
- *Case Study: Boston Public Schools' Leadership Continuity Model*

Module 2: Identifying and Developing High-Potential Leaders

- Traits of high-potential leaders in education
- Performance data and leadership potential
- Competency mapping for school leadership
- Classroom to leadership pathways
- Equity considerations in identification
- *Case Study: Gwinnett County Schools' Talent Spotting System*

Module 3: Integrating DEI into Succession Planning

- DEI frameworks in leadership selection

- Removing systemic bias in promotions
- Inclusive leadership pipelines
- Creating equitable access to development
- Stakeholder training on inclusive practices
- *Case Study: San Francisco Unified's Equity-Centered Succession Strategy*

Module 4: Mentorship and Coaching for Leadership Growth

- Types of mentoring programs
- Coaching for aspiring principals
- Peer leadership learning networks
- Creating structured development plans
- Tools for virtual mentoring
- *Case Study: NYC Leadership Academy's Mentorship Outcomes*

Module 5: Digital Tools for Leadership Assessment

- Online assessment platforms
- AI and analytics in leadership evaluation
- Feedback and self-assessment models
- Designing dashboards for tracking growth
- Data protection and ethics
- *Case Study: EdLeaderTech's Digital Growth Tracker in Illinois Schools*

Module 6: Crisis-Proofing Leadership Transitions

- Succession during unexpected vacancies
- Emergency leadership plans
- Role of interim leaders
- Communication strategies in transitions
- Lessons from COVID-19 leadership gaps
- *Case Study: Florida Virtual School's Pandemic Leadership Plan*

Module 7: Designing and Evaluating Succession Plans

- Creating actionable roadmaps
- Goal-setting and milestones
- KPI metrics for plan effectiveness
- Feedback loops and continuous improvement
- Documentation and policy updates
- *Case Study: Ontario Ministry of Education's Succession Framework*

Module 8: Engaging Stakeholders in Succession Strategy

- Role of the school board and parents
- Teacher involvement in planning
- Student leadership development as a feeder
- Community partnership integration
- Communication and change management
- *Case Study: Chicago Public Schools' Stakeholder Engagement Toolkit*

Training Methodology

- Interactive lectures with expert facilitators
- Hands-on activities using real-time data tools
- Group discussions to foster peer collaboration

- Role-playing simulations of leadership transitions
- Case study analysis for applied learning
- Action plan development for participants' institutions

Register as a group from 3 participants for a Discount

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Certification

Upon successful completion of this training, participants will be issued with a globally- recognized certificate.

Tailor-Made Course

We also offer tailor-made courses based on your needs.

Key Notes

a. The participant must be conversant with English.

b. Upon completion of training the participant will be issued with an Authorized Training Certificate

c. Course duration is flexible and the contents can be modified to fit any number of days.

d. The course fee includes facilitation training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch and A Certificate upon successful completion of Training.

e. One-year post-training support Consultation and Coaching provided after the course.

f. Payment should be done at least a week before commence of the training, to Fineskill Training Center account, as indicated in the invoice so as to enable us prepare better for you.

Upcoming Scheduled Sessions

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Online	$1,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$1,500
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$3,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$3,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$4,500
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000

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