Educator Career Continuum

The Lead Professional Educator designation allows an educator who aspires to have a leadership role to do so without leaving the classroom. Districts should provide protected time for leadership. A lead teacher...

- Promotes the use of assessments and data
- Uses research to improve practice and student learning
- Collaborates with families and the community
- Promotes professional learning to improve instruction
- Advocates for the profession
- Fosters a positive school culture

Visit the Teach Arkansas webpage at https://bit.ly/2PgNFVM.
Access the Teacher Leader Model Standards at https://bit.ly/2QeHltS.

How do I qualify?

- Documentation of three (3) years of licensed teaching experience, which may include teaching with a provisional license; and
- Verification from the applicant’s last employer that the applicant has performed at the level of an Effective Teacher as evidenced by the applicant’s most recent summative evaluation (within the previous four years); and documentation of one of the following:
  1. Official score report on a performance assessment approved by State Board of Education or
  2. Successful completion of the ADE recognized micro-credential(s) for Lead Professional (Pilot fall 2018) or
  3. Graduation from an ADE-recognized/approved teacher-leader academy, teacher leader institute, teacher-leader higher education program.