

Application for the National LAUNCH!™ 2019-2020 School Improvement Facilitation Development Program

The Institute for Performance Improvement in collaboration with the International Society for Performance Improvement, will accept 30 participants in its national, intensive LAUNCH!™ development program over a one-year period. This performance-based program develops school improvement practitioners to facilitate a proven school improvement process, that is systemic, practical and sustainable. Successful completers of this rigorous program receive a globally verifiable digital badge for their demonstration of proficiency in practice of the ten Certified School Improvement Specialist standards. Participants work on their real work in schools guiding school improvement through-out the program. Participants will:

- Participate in a blended development program, participating in live classes, virtual sessions, peer-to-peer learning, and coaching of job-embedded assignments with assessment.
- Participate in learning, peer-to-peer coaching, and assignments in the Promote Learning and Performance platform.
- Complete assignments which demonstrate proficiency in practice in the work of the CSIS standards.
- Review their assignments and evidence of proficient practice with their supervisors for review, support and approval.

Applicants Considered:

- State, regional and local education agency staff engaged in school improvement
- Principals, assistant principals, school leadership team members and academic coaches
- Staff of non-profit and for-profit school improvement providers

The cost of this one-year program is \$5995 per person, plus any related travel costs and the course guide, the School Improvement Specialist Field Guide, available from Corwin Press.

To apply, complete the attached application and forward to Institute Registrar Pam Henderson at Pam@TIFPI.org. All participants will be notified of acceptance in the program by February 26, 2019. Questions? Contact LAUNCH!™ Program Concierge Erin Wagner at Erin@TIFPI.org.

The schedule for the program includes an online orientation and initial training provided through the Promote Learning and Development Platform.

2.5 days of live development in the Atlanta, GA area – March 25 – 27, 2019 with emphasis on analysis, engagement and choosing and vetting solutions and initiatives.

2.5 days of live development in the Atlanta area – June 24 – 26, 2019, with emphasis on planning and management of school improvement initiatives.

Teams and pairs of participants are invited to apply, as well as individual practitioners.

3 online and virtual classes -- Between March 15, 2019 and March 1, 2020 – with emphasis on organizational sensitivity, collaboration and building commitment and sustainability.

2 days of live development in the Atlanta area – September 23 – 25, 2019 with a focus on monitoring and fidelity of implementation, with completion of all assignments by March 31, 2020

The program application is attached.

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2019-2020 LAUNCH!™ School Improvement Specialist Cohort Application



First Name _____ Last Name _____

Current Job Title: _____

Employer: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email address: _____ Preferred Phone: _____

1. Describe your responsibilities for guiding school improvement:
2. How long have you been engaged in school improvement?
3. Why do you wish to participate in this rigorous program?
4. What value you wish to contribute to your organization by successfully completing this program?
5. What value do you personally anticipate from this program?
6. What type of support do you anticipate your supervisor will provide you during this experience?

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Supervisor Recommendation and Support

As the supervisor of _____

I commit to support his/her application and participation in the *LAUNCH!*[™] national program for school improvement facilitators. I understand my participant will be working on the actual work of facilitating the school improvement process with development, tools, coaching and assessment. I will review assignments and evidence of practice after they have been approved by my participant's coach, and provide support and sign off.

I understand the fee for the annual cohort per participant is \$5995, payable upon registration, plus related travel and purchase of the course text, *The School Improvement Specialist Field Guide*, available from Corwin Press.

I will support my participant by completing the Supervisor's orientation, and by communicating with the participant and coach as needed. I understand my role to "expect" and "inspect" the work of the participant through the program, remove barriers to performance, and support effective on-the-job practice is key to the successful completion of this program. My participant will be awarded a verifiable digital badge when the program is successfully completed.

Name: (Print) _____ Signature: _____

Title: _____ Date: _____

Applications must be submitted by February 26, 2019 to Institute Registrar Pam Henderson at Pam@TIFPI.org. Upon notification of application acceptance, payment for this program may be provided via check or Pay Pal upon registration. The course registrar will enroll participants, provide purchase orders upon request and accept applications. Questions? Contact *LAUNCH!*[™] Program Concierge Erin Wagner at Erin@TIFPI.org.

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