



# Griffin RESA

*3rd APEL Cohort*

## Alternative Preparation for Educational Leadership

*Application Packet due by July 31, 2023*

Griffin RESA’s Georgia Alternative Preparation for Educational Leadership (APEL) program for 2023-2024 is scheduled to begin in August 2023. APEL will offer a one year job embedded pathway for candidates seeking Tier I or Tier II Leadership certification. This program is designed for educators with a Master’s degree or higher who are looking for leadership certification-only (non-degree). APEL is designed to instruct, guide, and support employed leaders helping them build the confidence, skills, and presence needed to lead.

- **Tier I Certification:** Candidates must hold entry-level leadership positions, which include P-12 school level positions below the principal and system level positions that do not supervise principals.
- **Tier II Certification:** Candidates must hold advanced leadership positions, which include P-12 school level principals or the equivalent, superintendents, or other LUA staff who supervise principals. In addition to employment in a leadership position the candidate must already hold a level 5 or higher Standard Professional Educational Leadership Tier I certificate or a Standard Professional L-certificate in Educational Leadership Tier II.
- **Tier I and Tier II Certification:** Candidates must be recommended for admission by a local Unit of Administration (LUA) or employer that will verify employment and provide an assurance that the candidate will be available one-half day or more each day to work in a leadership position.

**For more information about Griffin RESA’s APEL program visit the *Leadership Development: Alternative Ed Leadership Certification Program* tab at [www.griffinresa.net](http://www.griffinresa.net)  
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