



Join the Discussion

Become a School Ambassador Fellow

The U.S. Department of Education (ED) is seeking outstanding teachers, administrators, and other school leaders to join the School Ambassador Fellowship and lend their voice to the national education dialogue.

- **A BRIDGE BETWEEN THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND EDUCATORS IN THE FIELD**
Share perspectives from the field that ultimately inform educational decisions at the national level.
- **COLLABORATE WITH ED AS A FULL-TIME OR PART-TIME FELLOW**
Work alongside Department officials as a full-time member of the ED community or continue working within your school and collaborate on a part-time basis.
- **EXPAND YOUR IMPACT AS AN EDUCATOR NATIONALLY**
Facilitate meaningful interactions between national policy-makers and educators in the field.

About the School Ambassador Fellowship

- Founded on the principles of partnership, collaboration and cooperation between the Federal Government and schoolbased educators the School Ambassador Fellowship is a one-year professional learning community designed to improve educational outcomes for students by leveraging the expertise of school-based practitioners in the creation, evaluation, and dissemination of information around national education initiatives.
- The Fellowship supports the United States Department of Education's mission by leveraging the perspectives and expertise of outstanding educators to inform national education programs and initiatives.
- Fellows enhance their expertise through a one-year community of practice where they participate in in-depth professional learning experiences and take advantage of opportunities to engage with educators from around the nation.
- Fellows contribute to the broader educational landscape through meaningful interaction with education stakeholders at the local, state, and national level.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE SCHOOL AMBASSADOR FELLOWSHIP?

To be eligible to apply for the School Ambassador Fellowship, you must:

- Currently be a teacher, administrator or other school staff member (and anticipate being employed in this role during the next school year).
- Be employed by a traditional public, charter, private, virtual, military (DoDEA), or tribal (BIE) school that serves any grade, preschool through twelfth.
- Have at least five years of experience in as a teacher, administrator/principal or other school staff member, up to and including the current school year.
- Have daily meaningful interaction with students and educators in a school setting in your role.

WHAT QUALITIES DOES THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SEEK IN SCHOOL AMBASSADOR FELLOWS?

School Ambassador Fellows demonstrate:

- A history of demonstrable and meaningful impact on student outcomes and school success.
- A record of leadership in their schools and communities.
- Strong written and oral communication, and presentation skills.
- A desire to share relevant insights from school and classroom experiences with those in positions to impact policy decisions.
- Support from their school communities and districts.



Over 130 educators from across the Nation have participated in this highly competitive, unique yearlong fellowship experience. The Department regularly seeks the input and expertise of the outstanding educators in our Ambassador Alumni Network to inform various national education initiatives.

The 2021-2022 School Ambassador Fellowship Application Period Opens **October 12, 2020.**

Visit the [SAF Website](#) for more information and to apply.

Have Questions About the School Ambassador Fellowship?

Contact the School Ambassador Fellowship program office at SAF@ed.gov.