

Leaders for Just Schools: Level One Training Cohorts



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Ready to impact your school, district and community around racial and social justice issues? Want to brainstorm with other leaders how to address equity and resilience related issues? The NEA, in partnership with the Kellogg Foundation, has developed a cutting edge leadership development program for those interested in racial, social and educational justice. The IEA and the Opportunity Coalition are pleased to announce the Leaders for Just Schools cohorts for the 2021-22 school year. The instructors are state and local leaders, award winning educators and experienced community organizers who will help you build momentum for change in your local schools and communities. Cohort members who successfully complete the program will receive a micro credential and will have the opportunity to earn an organizing stipend to continue the work.



Opportunity Coalition Developmental Framework

By connecting local leaders to state and national resources, the Opportunity Coalition framework supports the development of Just Schools and Just Communities throughout Illinois.



Level 2 | Team Growth

Level Two leaders begin to build local coalitions with association leaders, school and district administrators, students, parents and community leaders.



Level 3 | Organization Application

Level Three leaders, with financial and technical support, implement equity and resilience work at the school, district and association level.



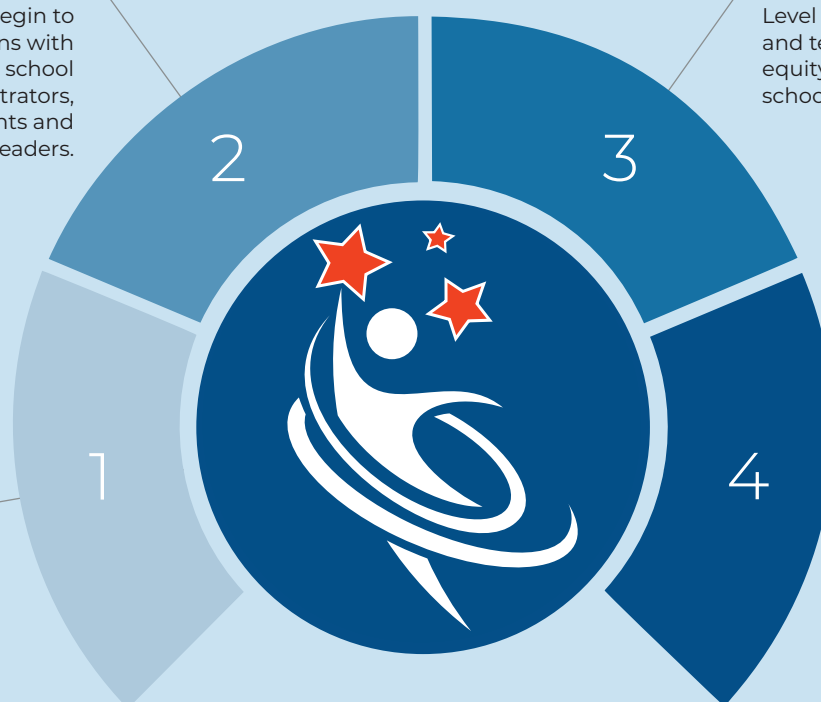
Level 1 | Self Exposure

Participants in local *Leaders for Just Schools* cohorts, work with others to learn about racial, social and educational justice, along with engaging in individual leadership development activities.



Level 4 | System Transformation

Level Four leaders, with financial and technical support, implement equity and resilience work at the community level.



Program Details:

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Leaders for Just Schools: An Overview

- The actual times and dates for the session are listed at the Opportunity Coalition Network registration link on our website, ieaopportunitycoalition.org
- The cohorts will be hybrid delivery, with virtual activities, and in person if conditions allow. Each cohort will meet one Saturday morning per quarter for training and leadership development over the course of the school year.
- Topics will include the Six Layers of Racism, Implicit Bias, Microaggressions as well Creating Strong Relationships with Students and the Community.
- Participants will have the chance to work with educational leaders in their area and around the state.
- Cohort members who successfully complete the program will receive a micro credential and will have the opportunity to earn an organizing stipend to continue the work.
- Hybrid cohorts are limited to 25 people each, so sign up today!



“The educators engaged in our Leaders for Just Schools get it. It’s about changing teacher-student interactions to meet students needs not changing the students to fit the system. I think these educators are becoming equity ambassadors to effect change in their classrooms and school community.”

—**Mae Smith**,
Leaders for Just Schools Instructor
Illinois Education Association
Board of Directors



“I do Leaders for Just Schools because I think it’s a great way for our members to get more involved in their union! I want our members to feel empowered and capable of advocating for their students and communities when it comes to issues of racial and social justice. This is also part of being an educator.”

—**Adriana Caballero**,
Region 35, Schaumburg Education Association