

BACKGROUND AND REQUEST

CLEVELAND STATE UNIVERSITY

Educational Administration Program, Master of Education, with specializations leading to the Principal I (grades PK-9) or Principal II (grades 4-12) License.

RECOMMENDATION

This endorsement meets the Chancellor's requirements for program approval and the State Board of Education's minimum standards for an educational administration graduate program leading to the Principal I License (grades PK-9) or Principal II License (grades 4-12). No concerns were identified in the review. Approval is recommended for a three-year period of time until 2013 for Cleveland State University and its East Center (Solon) and West Center (Westlake). It should be noted that the program is subject to periodic review by the Chancellor to ensure that the standards for Ohio licensure continue to be met.

Profile: Cleveland State University (CSU) is a public, non-profit university established in 1964 and located in Cleveland, Ohio. CSU has more than 16,000 students in 8 colleges and 250 academic degree programs.

Accreditation/Authorization: The Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association (HLC) regionally accredits the institution. Cleveland State University is HLC accredited until its next scheduled review in 2016. The National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) accredits Cleveland State University's educator preparation programs at the initial and advanced level. The most recent accreditation review was in 2009.

Request: Cleveland State University (CSU) requests continued approval for an Educational Administration Program leading to the Principal I License (grades PK-9) or Principal II License (grades 4-12). In addition to the main campus, the educational administration program is offered at the East Center of CSU in Solon, Ohio and the West Center in Westlake, Ohio.

Background: CSU offers multiple majors in preK-12 education leading to a provisional licensure in Ohio and graduate programs in many areas of specialization. Cleveland State University is submitting its request to ensure alignment of the current program with national standards and Ohio standards and requirements.

The Educational Administration Program enables participants to gain the conceptual, technical and theoretical knowledge in the human resources area to assume a principal ship or other entry-level administrative positions. Foundation areas of the program are curriculum, supervision, guidance, personnel administration, community relations, school management, and school law. In addition to the master's degree, a candidate for the license must complete two years of successful teaching under a professional license at the age levels for which the principal licensure is sought. Students complete 34 credits leading to a Master of Education degree plus twelve post-masters credits.

Recommendation to the Chancellor: This program meets the Chancellor's requirements for program approval and the State Board of Education's minimum standards for an educational administration program leading to the Principal I (grades PK-9) or Principal II (grades 4-12)

License. There were no concerns identified in the review. Continued approval is recommended for three years, until the next scheduled review in 2013 for Cleveland State University and its East Center (Solon, Ohio) and West Center (Westlake, Ohio). In addition, it should be noted that the program is subject to periodic review by the Chancellor to ensure that the standards for Ohio licensure continue to be met.