



# Lead Professional Educator Designation Pathway

NIET's training and support for teachers seeking the Lead Professional Educator Designation empowers participants to grow as teacher leaders, leverage instructional expertise, make data-driven decisions, and foster collaborative partnerships. Teachers attend and engage in four core teacher leadership-focused trainings, each divided into synchronous and asynchronous virtual sessions over the course of seven days, and individualized support from an NIET Specialist.

## Session Date Windows:

Based on the number of cohorts final dates will not be scheduled until June 30, 2024. Below are the windows to expect the training to be scheduled.

**Session 1** - (1 day training)  
July 15th - July 26th

**Session 2** - (2 day training)  
August 19th - August 30th

**Session 3** - (2 day training)  
October 21st - November 1st

**Session 4** - (2 day training)  
January 21st - January 31st

## Our session includes:

- Building Foundational Leadership Structures for Teachers
- Leveraging Instructional Expertise for Continuous Improvement
- Using High-Quality Data to Drive Decision Making
- Facilitating Growth for Others Through Collaborative Partnerships

Overview	
<b>Who?</b>	Individuals interested in earning Lead Professional Educator Designation to be considered an experienced mentor by Arkansas DESE
<b>What?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 7 virtual sessions (synchronous/asynchronous)</li> <li>• Half-day individualized coaching and support visit per participant</li> <li>• Performance tasks between each training date</li> </ul>
<b>Cost?</b>	\$2,000/participant

All performance tasks must be received by April 30, 2025. Anticipated date for certificates issued May 31, 2025.

\*Due to demand, there is a potential for additional cohort starts throughout the year.