



Accelerating Character Education Development

Empowering school leaders to integrate character development into school culture

Character education is a key piece of the puzzle when working to create a positive and healthy school culture. NIET has developed an initiative called Accelerating Character Education Development, or ACED, to support school leaders in integrating effective character development and related social and emotional learning skills into a school's instruction, culture, and climate. ACED will build the capacity of not just principals but also the principal supervisors who coach, evaluate, and support school leaders.

How to get involved:

NIET is actively recruiting school districts from across the country to participate in piloting ACED tools and resources.

By building the capacity of school and district leaders through the use of ACED tools and resources, character development will become part of a school's fabric, supporting a strong academic and social emotional-culture that enables all students the opportunity for success in school and in life.

Each school and district that is selected and participates in the ACED pilot will receive:

- A two-day training in character development based on the ACED Character Companion Tool and NIET Principal Standards Rubric
- Use of the ACED Character Companion Tool for the school year
- Training and usage of the NIET Principal Standards Rubric for the school year
- Two days of implementation, coaching and consulting support per school
- Access to ACED Character Development modules and resources
- A \$3,500 stipend per participating school