



# Ready to Lead

FOR RECENTLY HIRED CENTER-BASED ADMINISTRATORS

An open and inclusive professional learning community designed specifically for recently hired (one-day to five years of experience) center-based, early childhood administrators of all backgrounds.

**Develop your Leadership Essentials.** Attendees will delve into topics that identify their leadership strengths, engage in interactive learning activities, and fine-tune strategies for dealing with real-life challenges experienced by new administrators. Content in RTL is aligned with the Illinois Director Credential and Illinois Gateways to Opportunity.

## SESSION TOPICS:

### Session 1

Orientation and Forming a Professional Learning Community

### Session 2

New Role, New Relationships: Learning to Lead

### Session 3

From the Inside Out: The Power of Reflection and Self-Awareness

### Session 4

Leadership in Action: How Effective Directors Get Things Done

### Session 5

Professional Development Coaching

**Ready to Lead offers the opportunity to earn IL Director Credential credits through Aim4Excellence online modules!** [McCormickCenter.nl.edu/rtl](https://McCormickCenter.nl.edu/rtl)

## Additional Opportunity

### \$175\* and full participation gets you:

- One, two hour virtual orientation (*a working computer with Internet accessibility, audio, and video, capabilities is required*)
- Three, full-day in-person sessions (lunch and snacks included)
- 22 contact hours of Illinois Gateways to Opportunity approved professional development
- Books, handouts, and materials
- One, two hour virtual professional development coaching session.

- Earn IL Director Credential credits through participation in AIM4Excellence™ online modules.
- Select up to three modules at no additional cost
- Five undergraduate college course credit hours from NLU available for an additional course tuition charge.

\*Valued at over \$5,000.

The registration fee is only for Illinois administrators. Out-of-state administrators, please contact [MCECLA@nl.edu](mailto:MCECLA@nl.edu)

### TWO professional learning communities available:

#### RTL 10

##### NLU Campus

850 Warrenville Road,  
Lisle, IL 60532

Session 1 | Virtual | 9/18/24 | 9 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.  
Session 2 | In-person | 9/19/24 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
Session 3 | In-person | 10/10/24 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
Session 4 | In-person | 11/14/24 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
PD Coaching | Virtual | 12/11/24 | 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

**Deadline to Apply: July 10, 2024**

#### RTL 11

##### Rend Lake College Marketplace

321 Potomac Blvd  
Mt Vernon, IL 62864

Session 1 | Virtual | 9/25/24 | 9 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.  
Session 2 | In-person | 9/26/24 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
Session 3 | In-person | 10/17/24 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
Session 4 | In-person | 11/21/24 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
PD Coaching | Virtual | 12/12/24 | 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

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