

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SCHOOL LEADER TASK FORCE

Charge to the School Leader Task Force

The task force will be charged to do the following:

Prepare a report to the General Assembly, the Office of the Governor, the State Board of Education, and the Board of Higher Education that details an action plan for strategically improving school leadership preparation in Illinois, based on, but not limited to, the measures detailed in “Commission on School Leader Preparation: Blueprint for Change.”

In preparing this Action Plan, the task force will:

1. Review and prioritize the findings and recommendations of the “Blueprint for Change” and develop a sequence of strategic steps based on but not limited to the measures it recommends.
2. Examine data collected by external sources, including the Southern Regional Education Board (SREB) state benchmarking report and the Illinois Council of Professors of Education Administration (ICPEA) gap analysis, as well as other relevant data sources.
3. Examine data from exemplary educational leadership preparation programs and other relevant sources in forming an action plan that considers first and foremost the learning achievement needs of schools in rural, suburban, and urban districts.
4. Consider existing and emerging federal, state, and district policies that inform how leadership preparation may contribute to a leadership continuum for aspiring, new, and experienced school leaders.