

NECTFL / MEAD Leadership Fellows Program

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Foreign language teachers who have demonstrated leadership potential at their schools, colleges or universities, and/or at the local, state, regional or national level	Participation at the 2008 Northeast Conference in a program designed by NECTFL to groom leaders for the profession. NECTFL will provide: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • registration at NECTFL conference, • three nights' lodging, • participation on Thursday in a leadership orientation program and one preconference workshop (devoted to leadership), • an invitation to the Thursday Chair's Reception, • follow-up mentoring by NECTFL Board members and state association leaders 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State associations must receive nominations by December 1, 2008. • Associations must forward the dossier of one nominee to NECTFL by January 5, 2009. • The NECTFL Professional Development Committee will select the Fellows at the January Board meeting and will convey its decisions to the state associations by February 1, 2009.

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I. Funding:

NECTFL assumes responsibility for the costs of all aspects of the program as described above. We strongly encourage state associations to provide stipends for travel and other expenses, if at all possible.

II. Selection Procedures:

Eligible teachers may be nominated by their schools, colleges or universities; or by local, state, regional or national organizations, for the available fellowships. Application forms are available on this web site and will be printed in state newsletters, on web sites, and in the Conference Preview.

Completed applications will need to be sent to the respective state associations, and each state association will pick one name from among those nominated in their respective states to submit to NECTFL. The NECTFL Professional Development Committee will select the Fellows from among those candidates submitted by all the states.

Applications sent to or solicited by the state associations and then forwarded to NECTFL must include:

- a current resume or c.v. of no more than two pages;
- a letter of nomination of no more than two pages from the nominating body documenting the teacher's leadership potential as evidenced by (1) contributions to the profession at the local, state, regional or national level; (2) community outreach; (3) effectiveness in teaching;

- a written commitment by the nominee containing a draft of a specific plan of action (see samples) that demonstrates leadership at the local, regional, state or national level in the year following his/her selection as a NECTFL Fellow, and to be presented at the following state and NECTFL conferences.

III Follow up:

Subsequent to attendance at the Northeast Conference, each Fellow will be assigned to a NECTFL Board mentor and/or to a state association mentor. Working with these mentors, Fellows will develop their plan of action in a two-page document that they will submit to NECTFL and the state association within six weeks of the Conference. The plan of action will be carried out during the academic year following the Conference, with presentations on implementing the plan made at both the state association meeting that fall and the NECTFL Conference the following spring.

Click Here for a printable application form to be mailed to your state association; find its address on our Member Institutions Contact Information page.

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