



Call for Manuscripts and Papers

Volume 4: School and District Leadership in an Era of Accountability

A volume in **International Research on School Leadership - Book Series**

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The fourth book the International Research on School Leadership series focuses on school leadership in an era of high stakes accountability. While policymakers and the public debate the merits of student achievement accountability measures, P-12 educational leaders do not have the luxury to wait for clear guidance for improving their schools and systems. Instead, successful leaders are striving to create learning communities and manage the organizational climate when dealing with the consequences of testing, teacher morale, and public scrutiny. We are seeking manuscripts that explore successful leadership as practiced by building and district level leaders as external pressure to improve student achievement has increased. Our goal is to create an edited book that examines successful school and district leadership during the accountability era from multiple educational and international perspectives. We would be particularly interested in receiving manuscripts that address such questions as:

1. How do educational leaders successfully manage the politics of accountability?
2. To what degree are innovation and creativity affected as accountability increases?
3. What are effective ways of maintaining staff morale and community involvement as the pressure to raise student achievement rises?
4. Why do some schools thrive during times of increasing accountability?
5. How has accountability shaped what schools and districts do to build leadership capacity, professional learning communities, and continuous improvement?
6. During the accountability era, how have school leadership practices changed?
Have these changes led to improved student achievement?
7. How have school leaders used elements of accountability (e.g., transparency, testing, data disaggregation) to inform their practice?

Submission Guidelines

Manuscripts must be submitted by August 3, 2012 to be considered for publication. The length of manuscripts should not exceed 7500 words, excluding references. Please e-mail manuscripts to Bruce Barnett (bruce.barnett@utsa.edu). Contact may also be made via the University of Texas at San Antonio, One UTSA Circle, San Antonio, TX 78249-0654 or by phone: 210-458-5413.

Important Dates

August 3, 2012 - Submit manuscript electronically for consideration

September 28, 2012 - Authors receive feedback from book series editors/reviewers and decisions are made to determine which manuscripts are still under consideration

December 14, 2012 - Authors submit revised manuscripts to book series editors

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