



Secondary PT Online Principal | FAQ

We appreciate your interest in working with Idaho Digital Learning Alliance, Idaho's state-sponsored, accredited, online course provider. This document provides answers to some frequently asked questions related to being an Online Principal. We hope it will prove useful as you decide whether or not being an Online Principal is for you.

Idaho Residence:

Principals must hold a valid Idaho Administrator certificate. Employment preference is given to applicants residing in Idaho.

How are principal assignments made?

Principal assignments are made by the Idaho Digital Learning Alliance Supervision Team. The number of courses assigned to principals is determined by the total number of courses offered during a session, principal performance and availability.

How many classes are typically assigned?

The number of classes overseen at any one time varies depending on enrollments, sections, and principal availability. Typically, a new principal can expect to oversee between 4 and 8 sections at one time; more experienced principals may supervise up to 15 courses per semester.

How will I be compensated?

Currently, principals receive between \$120 to \$240 per course, depending on the course length. Principals will receive a per semester \$100 payment for each active teacher they evaluate and have the ability to earn an annual \$75 bonus per active teacher.

Does Idaho Digital Learning Alliance provide equipment to principals?

Online Principals must provide their own computer and internet access in order to work for Idaho Digital Learning Alliance. Speak with your tax advisor about possible deductions related to employment with Idaho Digital Learning Alliance.

What training is required to work for Idaho Digital Learning Alliance?

New principals start by completing an online orientation and then attend our annual summer conference, followed by participation in online professional development. Initial training will include training alongside new teacher and completion of the "Supervising Online for IDLA" course. Summer Conference attendance, completion of one pd credit every 15 months, and monthly JIT trainings are required in order to receive teacher assignments.

What skills are necessary for a principal to have to work for Idaho Digital Learning Alliance?

It is helpful for principals to be knowledgeable about online learning and have experience in supervision. Principals should also be familiar with the Danielson Framework and apply the rubric to instruction.

What are the duties of an Idaho Digital Learning Alliance Principal?

Principal's responsibilities entail overall oversight of assigned classes and to serve as a support for Idaho Digital Learning Alliance teachers to aid in resolving conflicts, oversee student discipline and safety, communicate with the local school, as needed, and provide general administrative leadership. Workloads are heaviest prior to the start of a session, prior to each "Walkthrough" in a course (approximately once every 14 days), and at the end of each section. Principals are expected to maintain a consistent presence in each of their courses and to be able to answer communications within a 24 hour period.

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