

It's Your Turn!

Become one of the ELITE



ELITE - Exceptional Leaders with Innovative Talents and Excellence is Polk State's Educational Leadership Enhancement Program.

ELITE provides professional development and leadership opportunities for participants who have ambition to elevate within their careers in higher education.

ELITE gives participants an opportunity to expand their horizons, work in new areas, and find new strengths and skills that will lead to success in their careers.

ELITE partners with other institutions of higher learning to provide exceptional networking and conferencing experiences.

ELITE connects participants with Polk State's senior administrators to learn about Polk State and higher education from a senior managerial point of view.

ELITE is for YOU!

Real comments
from
ELITE Ambassadors

"Participating in **ELITE** was a powerful experience. It gave me an opportunity to give back and share the leadership skills I have gained throughout my career as an administrator. And finally, it was just plain FUN!" SB

"Networking with the other colleges that are involved in **ELITE** was very informative and gave me the perspective that what we are striving to do for students every day is about Student Success while keeping the people on our front lines in mind. Having a mentor who shared aspects of leadership such as working with different personalities, utilizing best practices, and implementing strategic resources to help our students was incredibly valuable." SD

"My **ELITE** journey opened a new chapter in my life, which has been enriched with lifelong mentors, new friendships, and various leadership resources for my toolbox. Through my **ELITE** journey, I have been inspired to thrive towards a leadership role in higher education. As an **ELITE** ambassador, I have gained confidence to reach out, connect, think win-win, and soar beyond the clouds." SRH

"**ELITE** helped me realize that I have a voice — and gave me the courage to use it. Sometimes, we can't see our own strengths, talents and potential. We need other people to recognize those things within us and help us see them for ourselves. That's what **ELITE** did for me, and I'm so grateful. I wholeheartedly recommend this program. My only regret is that I can't participate in a second class." RP

Send your completed application and all required documentation to Nixsa Cruz-De Witt at Station #6, by 4 p.m., Friday, 8/18/17.

ELITE Facts

- **ELITE** has graduated ten classes consisting of a total of 47 **ELITE** Ambassadors.
- Of the 47 ambassadors, 35 have received promotions and 36 have seen their **ELITE** leadership projects implemented and come to life.
- Last year, five Florida colleges and one university participated in this collaborative program.

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