

Executive Director – GPEMC/AZEMC

Greater Phoenix Educational Management Council (GPEMC) / Arizona Educational Management Council (AZEMC)

Position Overview

The Greater Phoenix Educational Management Council (GPEMC) and its affiliate, the Arizona Educational Management Council (AZEMC), seek a highly respected, collaborative Executive Director to provide strategic and operational leadership. GPEMC and AZEMC operate as a unified organization advancing collaboration, connection, and advocacy across Arizona's K–12 education landscape. Established in 1974, the organization serves 69 Arizona school districts representing approximately 500,000 students.

Key Responsibilities

- Provide strategic and operational leadership aligned with member priorities and evolving needs.
- Collaborate with Division Chairs and Co-Chairs to develop and manage agendas for monthly and special meetings.
- Build and strengthen relationships across Arizona's K–12 education community to support collaboration and advocacy.
- Oversee the development and daily management of organizational contracts and partnerships.
- Ensure completion of required operational tasks for effective organizational functioning.

Qualifications & Skills

- Proven leadership and management experience as a GPEMC/AZEMC Superintendent.
- Strong knowledge of and active engagement in Arizona's K–12 education landscape.
- Exceptional written and oral communication skills.
- Strong interpersonal, relationship-building, and customer service skills.
- Demonstrated ability to collaborate effectively with diverse educational stakeholders and partner organizations.

Work Year & Compensation

- 12-month position
- Salary and benefits negotiable and commensurate with background and experience.

Application Process

A complete application includes a cover letter/statement of interest, resume, and three professional references. Applications are due by noon on February 16, 2026, and should be emailed to Dr. Howard Carlson, GPEMC/AZEMC Executive Director, at hcarlson@aguafria.org. All applications and interviews will be confidential.

Questions about the position or application process may be directed to Dr. Scott Menzel, Chair of the GPEMC/AZEMC Superintendents' Council (smenzel@susd.org), or Dr. Dan Streeter, Vice-Chair of the GPEMC/AZEMC Superintendents' Council (D.L.Streeter@maranausd.org).

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