Proposed Questions from the Students for Guest

Graduates of the Principal Preparation Program

1. Do you feel like you were prepared before you become an administrator?
2. During the program, what would you do different or focus on more now that you have an administrative position?
3. Getting a job

* Did you have to interview for your administrative position? If so, was it similar or different to a regular teaching position interview?
* How did you get a job?
* How many interviews did you go on?
* What are the interviews like?
* Where are jobs posted?

1. How did you know that you were ready to leave the classroom?
2. How would you describe your beginning style of administration compared to your current style?
3. Not that you regret going into administration, but if you could choose a different career path what would it be?
4. Overview

* What is the most difficult part about your job?
* What advice do you wish you would have had at the beginning of your educational administration cohort?
* What is a critical lesson you learned your first year as an administrator?

1. Parents

* How do you communicate with parents and staff?
* Do you struggle controlling social media?

1. Political

* What does your superintendent expect from you?
* What influence do you really have in your school? Do you ever feel like just a cog in a machine?
* What was your position before becoming an administrator?
* Were you promoted within a district that you worked for or are you an administrator in a different district?
* If you were promoted within your district, how did that transition go with your staff?

1. What is the easiest part about being an administrator?
2. What is the hardest thing/part about this program?
3. What is one of the most important concepts that we need to pay close attention to in this program?
4. What is the hardest thing about being an administrator?
5. What is your personality style as an administrator?

* Which of your personality traits hindered your ability as an administrator? Which helped?

1. What part or aspects of the program did use the most as an administrator?

* What parts of your job do you feel like a manager in?
* What parts do you feel like a leader in?
* How do you find the appropriate balance between manager and leader?

1. What was the one situation that you have had to deal with during your time as an administrator that you were not necessarily prepared for and how did you handle it?
2. Will you talk about the pros and the cons of the internship part of the program?