About LEARN

LEARN: Lonestar Education and Research Network (LEARN) is a consortium of 43 organizations throughout Texas that includes public and private institutions of higher education, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), the Texas Education Telecommunications Network (TETN), and K-12 public schools. The consortium, organized as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, connects its members and over 300 affiliated organizations to statewide resources through high-performance optical and IP network services to support their research, education, healthcare, and public service missions. LEARN is also a leading member of a national community of advanced research networks, providing Texas connectivity to national and international research and education resources, enabling cutting-edge research that is increasingly dependent upon sharing large volumes of electronic data.

The Leadership Position

Reporting to the LEARN Board of Directors, the President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) is responsible for providing visionary leadership essential to LEARN’s success. The CEO is responsible for facilitating the strategic planning process while developing key strategies to execute LEARN’s mission and goals. The CEO provides the executive management and oversight of all aspects of LEARN’s operations. As the most visible LEARN officer, the CEO is the focal point in the representation of LEARN externally, developing partnerships with private and public sector organizations, and in growing LEARN’s large and diverse community to achieve its mission and goals. The CEO’s office is located in Texas, and the CEO is responsible for managing staff located in several areas in Texas.

Candidate Profile

The qualified candidate will be a recognized leader with a track record of accomplishment in an education, research, industry, or government organization. This individual will have a record of success in leading an organization of similar size and complexity through dramatic change, growth, and expansion. They will have demonstrated the ability to establish and build upon a broad set of relationships, contacts, and experience in education, state and local government, cybersecurity, research, and/or advanced networking areas. Embarking on a transformational journey to a next generation network, this highly skilled candidate will have experience in leading a high-performing team in state, regional, and national communities. The ideal candidate will have a demonstrated record of achievement at both the strategic and operational levels in successful organizations.
In addition to requisite experience and functional requirements, qualified candidates must be able to demonstrate strong competencies in the following areas:

- Entrepreneurial and transformational leadership with integrity, ethics, and emotional intelligence
- Business development and growth
- Building and maintaining partnerships and collaborations both externally and within LEARN
- Making decisions and solving problems in a collaborative environment
- Communication and interpersonal skills
- Recruiting, retaining, supporting, and developing people
- Influencing and adapting to changing environments
- Collaboration with state, local government, higher education, and healthcare organizations

An advanced degree and 8 years of experience, or a bachelor's degree and 10 years of experience is preferred.

**Compensation**

Compensation will be very competitive with LEARN’s peer organizations and will be commensurate with the selected candidate’s skills and experience. LEARN offers a comprehensive set of benefits typical of comparable leadership positions.

**Application & Recruitment Process**

Interested parties should send an application, letter of interest and a current resume to ceosearch@tx-learn.net Additional information about LEARN and this opportunity is available on the LEARN web site at http://www.tx-learn.net