

Pete Leida is a seasoned leader with a proven track record in strategic planning, district leadership, and school improvement. After earning his degree from the University of Delaware, he began his career as an elementary and special education teacher in the Colonial School District. Over the next decade, he successfully led three different schools as the building principal.

After moving to the district office, Dr. Leida served Colonial School District as Director of Schools and Deputy Superintendent where he focused on leadership development, support, and evaluation. He played a pivotal role in implementing the Empowering Educators to Excel (E3) grant and led the district equity team. Additionally, he facilitated the strategic planning process, ensuring the district's alignment with its goals.

In 2022, Dr. Leida joined Insight Education Group as a Partnership Manager, where he supported districts and state agencies in addressing challenges such as recruitment and retention, strategic planning, and district improvement. Since 2024, he has served as an independent consultant for PJI Partnerships LLC, he continues to partner with organizations and districts nationwide, prioritizing strategy and the elevation of community voices to enhance organizational experiences and outcomes.