



# Assistant Principal *Ex*celeration

## Show Notes, Episode 83: The APs Journey with Maria Werner

### About this show:

Are you stuck in the gravitational pull of the black hole of urgency? Or maybe, you are figuring out some ways to escape that force and move towards being a more strategic leader. Or, perhaps, you have already figured it out. Depending on where you are in the journey, today's show will offer you a chance to see a path forward or to reflect on how far you have come. Or maybe both! We will do this by reliving our guest's journey from a new AP to a third-year veteran.

### Notable Quotes

#### Maria:

This idea around the cycle of moving out of an urgent leader and into a strategic one.

But I'll have a much greater awareness of why I was brought into the role I was brought into. And how important it is that I stick to my role and utilize my role to still meet the needs of my teachers. But in a way that I'm doing to my greatest potential too.

I think that it's also easy to fall into that urgency when you are in the stage of learning the school. I was in a new school building with a very different demographic from the school that I came from in the class teaching and understanding the culture that was there and the areas of strength, areas of opportunities for growth. Because I wasn't aware of those things yet

#### Frederick:

It's almost like you landing in the forest and and you just keep running into tree after tree after tree and and you start to make that transition of oh, here's a map that shows me where I'm where I'm at and where I need to go. So it's being able to see the whole forest as opposed to just being caught in every tree.

Being strategically reactive is the way to get things under control and then you can move to being proactive.

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