

accredited learning environments planner (ALEP)

by Christie Boron



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Christie Boron, Principal at emersion DESIGN and K-12 Client Leader, recently earned the Accredited Learning Environments Planner (ALEP) designation—an industry mark of excellence recognizing the knowledge, skills, and abilities of a competent educational facility planner. The ALEP credential was created to elevate professional standards, strengthen individual performance, and distinguish professionals who demonstrate the expertise essential to educational facility planning. The Association for Learning Environments (A4LE), creator of the ALEP credential, notes: "An individual who has been certified by A4LE has achieved the highest qualification in our profession. Clients can appoint ALEPs with confidence that they have been examined for competence by our association."

After meeting eligibility requirements and applying, ALEP candidates complete a rigorous interview process. Credentialed ALEPs must renew their certification every three years and maintain required continuing education units annually.

The Association for Learning Environments (A4LE) is the only professional organization dedicated exclusively to improving the places where children learn. A4LE brings together a diverse community of professionals with a shared goal: creating healthy, safe, high-performing, and sustainable learning environments that enhance student and teacher performance and support culture and community vitality.



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With 25 years of experience, Christie is an expert in PK-12 planning and design. She works tirelessly to ensure that students' growth and success is at the heart of every client's building project.