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Kelly Tess is a current middle school principal in a northern suburb of Chicago. Her passion for professional development and the growth of leadership among teachers is likely what drove her toward a career in administration, and a passion that continues to fuel her doctoral work. Kelly received her Bachelor of Science from the University of Illinois, a Master of Elementary Education from DePaul University and a Master of Arts in Educational Leadership from Concordia University. She is currently a doctoral candidate at DePaul University in Educational Leadership, with a research focus on the development of Teacher Leadership. Kelly enjoys time with her husband and three children, as well as teaching future administrators through Concordia University. She is eager to connect with other educational leaders on the potential of this simple, but powerful model of teacher leader development and can be reached at kelly.tess@hotmail.com.