

REGION 8 PROTÉGÉ APPLICATION - PROGRAM OVERVIEW:

ACSA Mentoring is a unique and informal professional support service focused upon operational, technical and managerial aspects of educational leadership. Mentoring helps educational leaders define, adjust and clarify their roles. It is a voluntary and collaborative member-to-member service. The mentoring relationship is based on permission and trust, bound by ethics and confidentiality. Mentoring provides emotional and professional support through skilled listening, caring, and through specific feedback focused on leadership development offered by a wise, successful and experienced practitioner who has walked in the protégé's shoes. This service is non-judgmental and non-evaluative, with topics entirely determined by the protégé.

Generally, mentors and protégés work together between one and three hours each month at times and places determined by each pairing. While face-to-face mentoring will surely be most valued, telephone or email contacts can augment personal meetings.

Finally, ACSA Mentoring is a welcoming introduction to ACSA, its services, and to informal local and regional networking opportunities.

SCOPE OF ACSA MENTORING:

ACSA Mentoring is designed to help protégés understand their current roles as educational leaders and how they can most positively and productively serve the site, district, and community — students, staff, and parents. Administering programs efficiently contributes greatly to the leader's ability to focus upon instructional leadership responsibilities and in the management of time that allows leaders to have balanced, healthy lives. Experienced mentors can help! Having a skilled listener and practitioner to talk to may help protégés to better understand the challenges and obstacles to success — both those that lie in our surroundings and those that lie within.

A NOTE ABOUT ACSA LEADERSHIP COACHING:

Protégé needs that require more attention or focus in the realms of instruction and student learning might more appropriately be served through ACSA's Leadership Coaching Program.

The list of possible mentor-protégé topics included in the Protégé Application is certainly not exhaustive, but we have very consciously omitted topics related to: • Defining a vision for the school/district • Supervision and evaluation of instruction • Assessing and leading cultural change

• Culturally responsive leadership • Meeting facilitation skills • Development of ongoing data-based, collaborative staff examinations of student learning. These are issues best addressed through more intensive, CPSEL-based, goal-oriented work with a trained and certified leadership coach.

For more information about Leadership Coaching follow this link: <u>LeadershipCoaching</u> or copy the following into your browser <u>www.acsa.org/MainMenuCategories/ProfessionalLearning/LeadershipCoaching.aspx.</u>

PROTÉGÉ APPLICATION:				
Name of Protégé:	ACSA Region: \	/III		
Contact Address:				
Contact Phone:	Email:			
ACSA Member: since - (yr)	Not yet an ACSA Member			
Current Position:	Time in this position:			
Work location:	District:			
Most Recent Experiences as an Educator:				
Position Dist	rict	Dates (from/to)		
TELL US MORE:				
To help us match you with a mentor who has successful experience in a similar educational environment, please check the following that apply to your site: Elementary Middle High Alternative (E or M or H) Charter (E or M or H) New Site Principal or AP Experienced but new to area/district as Site Principal or AP Central Office: position -				

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Managing work and home life Time management at work Understanding/Interpreting Reporting STAR data Administering STAR assessm Special Ed "rules of the road practices/dos and don'ts" Introduction to state ACSA Explanation of PD resources Other: Is there another specific rea	STAR data ents : policies & leaders (ACSA or other)	 Understanding & administering budgets Working with front office staff Understanding your new role Interpreting/working with site and district policies and practices Working with the district office Mechanics of state and federal categorical programs Working with PTA or Parent Club Help getting involved in ACSA 	
RETURN THIS CONFIDENTIAL PROTÉGÉ APPLICATION with your essay by Monday, January 10, 2011 to:			
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