

ADMINISTRATOR/ FIRST-YEAR TEACHER/MENTOR TRIAD MEETINGS

When

Two meetings per year.

- The first meeting should be held as soon as possible, in August or September.
- The second should be held in the middle of the year in December or January.

Why

Triad meetings allow mentors to strengthen the principal-mentor interactions so first-year teachers can grow as professionals. Mentors can make certain that principals understand the rationale for and support confidentiality between a first-year teacher and mentor. For first-year teachers to take the necessary risks to grow, they must feel safe. Thus, they must trust that the relationship between themselves and their mentor is confidential. A principal who understands and respects this confidentiality fosters a community of trust. Involved principals develop effective three-way relationships that sanction confidentiality and clearly demonstrate that everyone is working toward a common goal - successful teaching and learning.

Notes

- This meeting **does not count** toward one-on-one conferencing time.
- If the mentor and first-year teacher are in different buildings, these Triad meetings should be held with the principal of the first-year teacher's building.
- The mentor may also want to have a "Diad" meeting with his/her own principal as well, so the principal understands what the mentor is expected to do.
- The initial meeting can be done in groups with more than one mentor/first-year teacher pair meeting at the same time with the principal. The mid-year meeting needs to be done with just one mentor/first-year teacher pair meeting with the principal at a time.

Roles and Responsibilities of Participants in the Mentoring Program

FIRST-YEAR TEACHERS

*One-on-one conferencing

Minimum of 30 hours (15 each semester, two of which can be made up of shorter meetings)

*Be observed by your mentor

6 times per year (September, October, November / January, March, April)

*Record your teaching and discuss with mentor

2 times per year (October and February)

*Observe other teachers

First semester, minimum 360 minutes total Second semester, minimum 180 minutes total



Optional participation in online class for earning **2** credits each semester

MENTORS

- *Complete Teacher Support System training requirements -trainings, seminars, professional learning online course
- *One-on-one conferencing

Minimum of **30 hours** (15 each semester, two of which can be made up of shorter meetings)

*Observe first-year teacher and provide feedback during one-on-one conferencing **6 times** per year (September, October, November, January, March, April)

*Watch recording of first-year teacher and discuss during one-on-one conferencing

2 times per year (October and February)

PRINCIPALS

- *Select mentors
- *Enroll participants into Teacher Support Program
- *Participate in online principal training
- *Support mentor and first-year teacher
- *Verify completion of Program activities