



Special Education Instructional Mentor Commitment Letter

To: Special Education Instructional Mentor Applicant
From: The Office of Professional Development

The Special Education Instructional Mentor supports a novice teacher inductee with 0 to 2 years of K-12 teaching experience who is not supported by a Clinical Professor or an Induction Coach. The Special Education Instructional Mentor may work with one inductee in a given year.

I, _____, from _____ would like to
(mentor) (school)
participate as an Special Education Instructional Mentor for during _____ during
the 2009-2010 school year. (inductee)

If selected, I agree to:

- Meet with the inductee for a **minimum of 24 hours**
(Beginning in August or early September and completed by Apr. 30)
- Provide essential information regarding district processes, procedures and timelines throughout the school year.
- Help inductee use assessment tools, forms, and reports.
- Collaborate with inductee concerning short and long-term planning and/or other services for students with special needs.
- Provide guidance about professional expectations for behavior and performance.
- Monitor and support completion of induction requirements
- Provide guidance about professional expectations for behavior and performance.
- Provide the inductee with on-going feedback

In addition, I agree to:

- **Complete the district Mentor Training course** before the end of the 2009-10 school year. Mentors will receive 1.5 semester hours professional development/salary credit for completing the course.

OR

- **Attend a two hour Mentor Update Meeting in September or October, 2009** (This is for mentors who have previously taken and completed the district mentor training course)
- Document in a **log** the equivalent of 24 hours of meeting/interaction time with each inductee. In addition, you must provide your inductee with a signed copy of the log to satisfy his/her induction requirements.
- Write an **End-of-Year Reflection** about the mentoring experience.

Upon completion of these expectations, I shall receive (check one):

- ___ \$650.00
OR
 ___ 1.5 semester hours of professional development/salary credit for mentoring

I shall be awarded a stipend of \$650.00 OR 1.5 semester hours of professional development/salary credit for my work as an Instructional Mentor.

Signature of Instructional Mentor: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Inductee: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Principal/Supervisor: _____ Date: _____

Deadline for Submission: October 8, 2009 (Return to Kathi Jo Walder, LSC)