

Missouri's AMP

A Mentoring Program for New Administrators

The Missouri Partnership for Mentoring School Leaders presents the **Administrator Mentoring Program (AMP)**, a two-year mentoring program for new administrators.

What does the new certification rule say?

The Transition Administrator Certificate will be issued upon completion and verification of participation in two years of district-provided mentoring (during the first two years of administrator experience; one year for new superintendents).

- Mentors must complete training addressing cognitive coaching skills and Interstate School Leaders Licensure Consortium (ISLLC) standards. Training may be provided by the AMP board, which includes professional associations, regional professional development centers, colleges and universities, and the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

What can new administrators expect from their AMP mentors?

You will receive assistance in positively impacting student performance, in completing a successful performance-based evaluation, and in ways to prosper and flourish in your new position. This will be accomplished through:

- Building a trusting relationship
- Guiding, modeling and coaching
- Reflective questioning
- Focusing on leadership traits
- Balancing challenge with support
- Problem solving



Program expectations

- Receive 30 hours of mentoring support (personal interaction, phone, e-mail, site visits and collaborative professional development)
- Attend the regional kickoff and professional development meetings
- Complete and continually utilize the Leadership Performance Planning Worksheet
- Interact with Web-based effective leadership resources
- Maintain and submit logs
- Attend the regional end-of-year celebration

Cost to district

- \$225/one year (superintendents)
\$450/two years (all others)

Mentor stipend

- \$600 per year
- Mileage expenses for mentors are reimbursed through Leadership Academy professional development funds and a grant from The Wallace Foundation.

To mentor is to teach...to teach is to learn!

Mentor Training

A mentor builds capacity in others. The most important function for mentors is to embrace a growth orientation, understanding that the work is to increase their colleagues' effectiveness as professional problem solvers and decision makers.

Overview of AMP

- Design, goals and timeline
- Program expectations

The mentoring process

- What it is and how it is done
- Best practices
- Reading "The Portable Mentor"

Social aspect

- Networking
- Building the mentor and new-leader relationship

Standards for mentoring

- Leadership dimensions – **"Show Stoppers for New Leaders"**
- ISLLC Standards
- Performance-based evaluation

Registration information

Visit The Leadership Academy Web site at <http://dese.mo.gov/divteachqual/leadership> for online registration, training dates and locations.

Mentor training is offered free of charge with travel expenses reimbursed.



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