



WE NEED MENTORS!

Apex High School is in need of community mentors for the Graduation Project. The Graduation Project is required by the state of North Carolina for graduation for students beginning with the class of 2010. The Project is a culmination of skills learned that are used to answer an essential research question of the student's choosing. The community mentors will guide students through the creation of the Product. Our school and community thank you for your support!

FAQs about Community Mentors

Who can be a Community Mentor?

- Anyone over 21 years old who has experience or knowledge in the student's area of interest.
- We need a variety of professions and job specializations.

When would I start?

- Students will begin to contact Mentors during their junior year.
- Actual start time will be determined between you and the student.

What would I have to do?

- Complete the Mentor Confirmation Form.
- Help the student brainstorm and design their product.
- Work professionally with the student for at least 15 hours either face-to-face, through email or over the phone.
- Confirm contact hours by signing the work log.
- Evaluate the student's effort and achievement.

Can a family member be the student's Mentor?

- Immediate family members cannot be a student's mentor.
- However, a colleague or friend of a family member may serve as a Mentor.

What do I need to do to get started?

- Contact Diane Cadavid, Career Development Coordinator & GP Committee Member to have your name added to the database for AHS students at dcadavid@wcpss.net or (919) 387-2219

Student requirements for the Graduation Project

Portfolio

- Key documents from each year
- Reflection responses
- Completed in 10th – 12 grades

Product

- Extension and support of research paper
- Supervised by Community Mentor and Faculty Coach
- Minimum of 15-hour time investment
- Completed during 11th grade

Paper

- Completed during 11th grade English class

Presentation

- 10-minute oral presentation
- Panel of community and school judges
- Completed during 12th grade

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