

Wilton Public Schools

TEAM Mentor and Cooperating Teacher Application

The Teacher Educator and Mentor Program was created for the purpose of providing support and professional development to beginning teachers. TEAM is designed around five professional growth modules in order to provide a framework for supporting new teachers. These five modules are focused on the following domains of the Common Core of Teaching (CCT): classroom environment, planning, instruction, assessment and professional responsibility. TEAM mentors play a vital role in supporting new teachers' professional growth and development.

To Be Completed by Applicant

Name: _____

School: _____ Current Teaching Assignment: _____

Year of Tenure in Wilton Public Schools: _____

Total # of years teaching in Wilton Public Schools: _____

Total Number of Years Teaching _____

Professional Development: Please indicate the most valuable professional development experiences in which you participated or which you led in the last five years (i.e. conferences, workshops, courses) and indicate its *value* to your teaching. *Please feel free to write or continue on another page.*

Title

Value

Committee Involvement: Please indicate any school or district committees on which you have served during your time in Wilton. Please indicate on any committees where you held a leadership role.

Organization and Year(s)

Leadership Role and Year(s)

References: Please provide names and contact information of two colleagues in the Wilton Schools who can speak to your qualifications for this position.

Name: _____ Contact Information: _____

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Please attach a response to the following prompt. Please limit your response to one paragraph, if possible.

- Explain your interest in becoming a TEAM mentor or cooperating teacher.

Please select one of the following prompts and respond. Please limit your response to one paragraph, if possible.

- Describe a successful teaching practice or strategy you have used and tell why you believe it is effective.
- Provide an example of how collaboration has positively impacted your teaching and your students' learning.
- Which area(s) of the Common Core of Teaching (CCT) do you see as your strength? Why?

To Be Completed By An Administrator and Building Master Mentor

Applicant Qualifications: The applicant meets the following criteria for becoming a TEAM cooperating teacher and/or mentor if he/she

- is employed by the Wilton Board of Education as a certified teacher and has achieved tenure in Wilton,
- demonstrates effective teaching practices as defined by the Common Core of Teaching (CCT),
- demonstrates strong interpersonal skills and reflective practices,
- demonstrates a professional commitment to assisting beginning teachers through appropriate mentoring, modeling, counsel, and collaboration.

Signature of Building Master Mentor

Date

Signature of Building Administrator

Date

Please submit your application to Jennifer Ringelheim, TEAM District Facilitator. Completed applications will be reviewed by the TEAM District Facilitator and the appropriate building Master Mentor. Notification to become a mentor teacher will come from the TEAM District Facilitator in a timely manner.

INITIAL TEAM TRAINING

If I am approved to become a mentor teacher for Wilton Public Schools, I will register as soon as possible for the TEAM training. The Wilton District TEAM Facilitator will provide me the necessary information.

Signature of Applicant

Date