

MENTORING CALENDAR

2009-10

“Increasing Student Achievement Through
High Expectations”

September **NEW TEACHER ORIENTATION** (Mentors/Interns meet!)
Wednesday, 9-2-09 11:30am WHS Cafeteria

MENTOR/INTERN MEETING: Thursday 9/17/09, **WES Library 3-4:30pm**
Topic: Meet the Resource Personnel
Presenters: Panel of Pupil Personnel Service Providers
Description: This meeting will introduce the Service providers to the new staff. They will explain their roles, how to contact them and when to contact them.

Interns: Date: Wednesday 9/ 23/09
Topic: Charlotte Danielson Training
Presenter: Jim Collins, Magellan Foundation
Location: WHS Library, 8-2:30pm
Description: Overview of the Charlotte Danielson framework for teaching. Discussion on the four domains: Planning and Preparation, Classroom Environment, Instruction and Professional Responsibilities. Review of the performance rubrics and the Watervliet City School APPR plan.

October **MENTOR/INTERN MEETING:** Thursday 10/8/09, **WES Library 3-4:30pm**
Topic: Parent Teacher Conferences and How to Read an IEP
Presenter: Mentors
Description: This workshop uses videos, handouts and discussion points to help teachers prepare for a conference with parents. The workshop also helps establish or improve the ongoing partnership involving the teacher, student and parents. The special ed teachers will review how to read an IEP.

MENTORS ONLY MEETING: Mon. 10/19/09, **WES Library 3-4:30pm**

November **MENTOR/INTERN MEETING:** Thurs 11/12/09, **WES Library 3-4:30pm**
Topic: Managing the First Year of Teaching (or Teaching in a New School)
Presenter: Mentors
Description: This discussion will be on how to manage the “hats” of a teacher. This will include: classroom management, discipline, curriculum, etc.

- December **MENTOR/INTERN MEETING:** Thurs 12/10/09, **WES Library 3-4:30pm**
Topic: Holiday Gathering (Snow date: 12/11/09)
- January **MENTOR/INTERN MEETING:** Thursday 1/14/10, **WES Library 3-4:30pm**
Topic: Instructional Strategies
Presenter: Mentors
Description: This workshop takes a look at a variety of Instructional Strategies that teachers can utilize in their classrooms to improve student motivation and performance.
- MENTORS ONLY MEETING:** Mon. 1/25/10, **WES Library 3-4:30pm**
- February **MENTOR/INTERN MEETING:** None
- March **MENTOR/INTERN MEETING:** Thursday 3/11/10, **WES Library 3-4:30pm**
Topic: Student Success –Testing
Presenter: Mentors
Description: Teachers will discuss best practices for preparing students for success on State Exams. Discussion on test modifications/accommodations for special education students will also be covered.
- MENTORS ONLY MEETING:** Mon. 03/22/10, **WES Library 3-4:30pm**
- April **MENTOR/INTERN MEETING:** Thursday 4/15/10, **WES Library 3-4:30pm**
Topic: End of Year Procedures
Presenter: Mentors
- May **MENTOR/INTERN MEETING:** Thursday 5/13/10, **WES Library 3-4:30pm**
Topic: TBA
- MENTORS ONLY MEETING:** Mon. 5/17/10, **WES Library 3-4:30pm**
- June **MENTOR/INTERN MEETING:** Thursday 6/10/10, Location TBA **3-4:30pm**
Topic: End of the Year Mentor Gathering

(All mentor meetings will take place in the WES library from 3-4:30pm unless otherwise noted.)