

ACE MENTOR PROGRAM

Archtecture ♦ Construction ♦ Engineering

The ACE Mentor Program's mission is to enlighten and motivate high school students to career opportunities in **Architecture, Construction and Engineering** through mentoring.

Founded in 1994, ACE now supports affiliates in more than 80 cities across the country. Students are recruited from participating high schools. Over the course of the program, the students meet after school to hear brief presentations by practicing Architects, Engineers, Construction Managers, and other Industry Professionals. The students then put this knowledge to use through practical exercises to develop their project while under the guidance of volunteer mentors.

Students are guided through the entire design process. Mentoring firms donate their time and resources while forming strong relationships with local high schools and college. At the end of the program, students present their project to their mentors, local business leaders, families, and school officials at a year-end banquet.

This program is a great opportunity to learn about building industry careers and discover which one may be right for each individual student. Since 1994, ACE has awarded over \$14 million nationally in scholarships to promising participants. Both local and national scholarship opportunities are available, as well as internships and shadowing opportunities at local businesses.

Who is eligible?

The program is open to high school students, 9th through 12th grade, who are interested in learning more about a career in the building industry.

How do I sign up?

Please go to <u>www.acementor.org</u>, and click on **Students** to fill out the registration form. All registrations must be done electronically. Be sure to select "PA – Central – Lancaster County" under City when registering.

When are registrations due?

Student registrations are due by Wednesday, September 30th

What happens after I register?

Your registration is reviewed by local industry professionals who select 35-40 students to participate. If accepted, you will receive an invitation to our Student Orientation on October 20th from 4:30PM – 6:00PM and a Program Schedule. There will be a total of 17 sessions on Tuesdays from 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM beginning October 27th and running through March. Students will present their projects at the banquet on March 29th at the Eden Resort.

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