



CenCal Mentoring Mobile Mentoring Program Proposal

CenCal Mentoring Academy is proposing to implement its “T.E.A.M. Mentoring Program” at up to 6 designated schools within Central Unified School District. .

The “T.E.A.M. Mentoring Program” transitions troubled or at-risk students from early intervention to prevention to successful academic achievement. The “T.E.A.M. Approach” uses **T**eachers, **E**ducators, **A**dministrators, and **M**entors to provide early intervention that will lead students to measurable prevention results. Teachers, Educators, and Administrators at each school site will select troubled or at-risk students who are in need of early intervention and mentoring support.

CenCal’s qualified adult mentors discuss and teach life and social skills, restorative justice and employment readiness. This intense mentoring approach helps the student and mentor become more accountable to each other while increasing attendance and academic performance.

Class Offerings

CenCal will meet with each site administration to determine what classes and are best suited for the student population. CenCal will provide the following coursework and/or classes:

- Evidenced-based 40 Week Mentoring Curriculum (curriculum is integrated with restorative justice strategies).
- Anger Management - CenCal Mentoring Academy has received approval from Fresno County Juvenile Probation to offer a 14 week Anger Management class to students on probation and students identified by campus administration.

(Fresno County Probation has agreed to accept this course to satisfy any court ordered anger management requirement for students on probation)

- Home Visits – Mentoring teams will conduct regularly scheduled home visits with students, parents or guardians to increase attendance, discipline issues, and successful academic progress.
- Gender Specific Group Discussions – The “Girl Talk or Man Cave” discussion groups allow students to meet and discuss gender specific topics and issues.
- Teen Parenting Class – This 8 week class provides teen parents and expecting teen parents with the tools necessary to start the process towards becoming good parent. They are connected with the resources and services available to assist them with the pregnancy and early parenting process.
- 1 on 1 Sessions – Mentors will also conduct 1 on 1 individual session with students on probation, identified by administration as a student needing a mentor, and/or any student requesting a mentor.

CenCal will work with each campus administration and staff to determine the services most needed on each site to support the administration, staff, students and parents.

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Program Schedule

Mentors will visit 2 sites daily or 5 days per week. They will provide mentoring services for 3 hrs. at each site with an hour between site visits for lunch and travel time (not to exceed 7 hours each day). The frequency of each class offering will be determined by each site administrator, faculty and counselors.

Site Rotation Schedule

CenCal will provide two 3-person mobile mentoring teams. Each team will visit three identified sites 2-3 times each week (see below). This will allow the team to be on each campus 2-3 days each week or 30 hour per month. The rotation will allow the mentors to meet with all identified students on campus that are in need of extra support and guidance. The mentoring team will work with the Student Support Services staff to assist with SARB process on the fourth day of rotation.

The school sites and rotation schedule will be determined by CUSD Administration. The schedule will also accommodate student and staff free days, holidays and special events.

Student Participation

Students that have been SARBed or are on Probation at each site will automatically be assigned to a CenCal Mentor.

Students on Probation

CenCal Mentoring has developed a very strong partnership with Fresno County Probation. This partnership has allowed CenCal the opportunity to work closely with juvenile probation with the goal of reducing the juvenile recidivism rates. Each student on probation will be assigned a CenCal mentor that they will meet with each week. The mentors will work with every student on Probation to assist them through the probation process, reduce the chance of them reoffending, and to help them establish academic consistency and success.

SARB Students

During the SARB process the family will be introduced to the mentor assigned to their student. The mentor will be responsible for meeting with each SARB student each week, provide student updates to District SARB staff, and follow up with parents to ensure that the student and family have the necessary tools and resources required to improve student attendance and academic success.

Students that are currently on a SARB contract could also receive a mentor on a case by case basis.

Annual Program Costs

Mentoring Academy 10 Month Program Budget (Academic School Year)\$150,000 per year (adjusted rate)

The annual program costs include the following:

- Provide six mentors five days per week.
- Implement mentoring services to the up to 6 identified Central Unified campuses.
- Work with site administrators and staff to identify students needing mentoring services.
- Conduct home visits with identified students, parents or guardians.
- Provide monthly updates and/or progress reports to site administrators.
- Schedule bi-monthly meetings with site administration to discuss student progress, home visit and program results.

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- Work closely with District SARB coordinators, site administration and staff, students and parents to ensure a stronger chance of SARB students attending school and achieving academic success.
- Meet with site administrators, staff, parents and students to determine the programs and support needed by student and their families.
- Provide automatic one-on-one mentoring to students on probation.
- Provide identified students with the life and social skills, anger management, bullying prevention curriculum when needed.
- Provide a reduction in campus discipline and safety issues.

Total Mobile Mentoring Funding Requested - \$150,000

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