



Mentor Assignment

Requirements for 2009-10

During the 2009-10 academic year, districts are required to assign mentors to assist educators as follows:

For educators employed at the induction-contract level: Mentors are required. Additionally, beginning educators at this level must be provided with an induction program, consistent with the 2006 South Carolina Induction and Mentoring Program: Implementation Guidelines (Section 2.C.1–13).

For educators employed at the annual-contract level who are receiving diagnostic assistance: Mentors are required.

For educators employed at the annual-contract level who are undergoing formal (summative) evaluation: Mentors are optional. However, the district should provide opportunities for these educators to strengthen connections with their colleagues in the context of the professional community.

For educators employed at the annual-contract level who are participating in goals-based evaluation (GBE): Mentors are not required, but they may be assigned on a case-by-case basis, at the discretion of the school district. In order to be eligible to participate in GBE at the annual-contract level, educators must have successfully completed an ADEPT formal (summative) evaluation during a previous annual-contract year.

For educators employed at the continuing-contract level: Mentors are not required, but they may be assigned on a case-by-case basis, at the discretion of the school district.



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Contract Level	Induction Contract	Annual Contract	Annual Contract	Annual Contract
ADEPT Process	Induction	Formal Evaluation	Diagnostic Assistance	Goals-Based Evaluation
Assigned Mentor	Required	Optional	Required	Not Required