

Frequently asked questions about Teacher Induction....

- What is an Induction-Phase teacher?
 - Teachers within the first 3 years of Teaching are considered
 Induction-Phase teachers. Also, any teacher who is new to the district
 and/or your school site is considered an Induction-Phase Teacher.
- So, a veteran teacher who transferred to my school from Clayton County School District is considered an Induction-Phase Teacher? Or a veteran teacher who worked in APS at another school site, is also considered an Induction-Phase Teacher?
 - Yes and Yes! Both teachers are considered Induction-Phase Teachers; however they may not need as much support as an Induction-Phase Teacher who is new to the profession. Our team will support your Campus-Based Lead Mentor to formulate a differentiated plan for veteran teachers who are new to your school-site and/or the district.
- I have a Teacher who was at my school site as a Paraprofessional, is that person considered an Induction-Phase teacher?
 - Yes! If the person served as a Paraprofessional, Teacher Resident, or Long-Term Substitute, but never worked as a Certified Teacher (or the "Teacher of Record") this person is an Induction-Phase Teacher
- So, what about a long-term substitute or paraprofessional who has taught previously and switched into the role of paraprofessional or substitute teacher...Would this person be an Induction-Phase teacher?
 - Maybe, depending on more detailed information this person MAY or MAY NOT be considered an Induction-Phase Teacher. Consult your District Mentor for more information and clarification.
- Who will a District Mentor support at my school site? How will this differ from my Campus-Based Lead Mentor's support?

 District Mentors will support Teachers with zero year experience (or within their first-year of teaching). Campus-Based Lead Mentors will support Year 2 and Year 3 Teachers as well as any veteran teachers who are new to the district and/or your school site.

District Mentors will also work closely with Campus-Based Lead Mentors to assist in providing differentiated support for your Induction-Phase Teachers including serving as a Liaison to access appropriate professional learning opportunities and collaboration on the implementation of your school's Induction Plan.

- I have a teacher who is "technically" a Year 2 teacher, but only taught half-of-the-school-year or partial school-year... Can this person receive District Mentor support?
 - At this time District Mentors are primarily supporting zero-experience teachers. However, the District Mentors will work closely with your Campus-Based Mentor to ensure this teacher receives adequate mentoring support as an Induction-Phase Teacher.

Additionally, our team is willing to discuss any unique circumstances with each Campus-Based Lead Mentor and/or school leader(s) to formulate a plan of Induction Support.

- Will my Campus-Based Lead Mentor receive any professional development?
 - Yes, our team will work with your Campus-Based Lead Mentor to provide both synchronous and asynchronous learning opportunities. Our District Mentor Team will also work closely with other Campus-Based Lead Mentors to provide differentiated learning opportunities that may be cluster-specific or school-specific.
- What if I have additional questions or concerns around Teacher Induction?
 - Please reach out to APS Induction Program Administrator:
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