



Executive Summary

Inside the School Online Seminar: *A Dozen Mentoring Strategies to Help the New Teacher Next Door*

The new teacher down the hall is very young, very nice, very qualified and the students and principal approve of her. You've welcomed her with open arms and you think someday she'll make a great educator. But you know the route to someday is a tough one. You know she's going to need help, and you want to reach out to her without stepping on her toes. You want to be the kind of teaching neighbor you wish you'd had when you had your first classroom, but you don't want to smother her, either.

So, you watch her test things and make mistakes. When should you jump in and advise her against letting her last period students run out to their cars to grab a notebook? Should you have told her about not locking her door in the evening so the custodians don't have to fumble with the key?

You see that she's putting on a brave face as she smiles and shoulders her overstuffed briefcase. She obviously doesn't want to ask for help or appear unqualified. You've been there. We all have. But how do you start that conversation about lending a hand?

Inside the School's online seminar *A Dozen Mentoring Strategies to Help the New Teacher Next Door* will review ways fellow teachers can serve as a guide, mentor, role model, friend and confidante to a new teacher. Author Mary C. Clement will present new mentors with concrete and hands-on ideas to help the newly-hired teachers.

After participating in *A Dozen Mentoring Strategies to Help the New Teacher Next Door* you will be able to:

- Know how to observe in another teacher's classroom as a colleague
- Find resources for sharing with the new teacher
- Have a list of conversation starters for working with the new teacher
- Have a list of topics for discussion throughout the school year
- Be aware of the confidentiality issues that may be involved with mentoring
- Identify their roles and responsibilities as mentors

Who should attend?

- Administrators
- Department chairs
- Lead teachers
- Curriculum directors
- New and returning mentors
- All who work with mentoring

About the Presenter:

Mary C. Clement is a professor of teacher education at Berry College in Georgia. She is the author of seven books, including *How to Interview, Hire, and Retain High-Quality New Teachers* and *Building the Best Faculty*. She has presented on the topic of teacher hiring at national ASCD, NAESP, Kappa Delta Pi, and Phi Delta Kappa conferences. A high school foreign language teacher for eight years, Clement received her doctorate from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign before entering higher education.

Presentation Date/Time:

This 60-minute video seminar will be available on-demand anytime between **September 27, 2010 and October 3, 2010**.

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