Memorandum of Understanding

Between

ACE Mentor Program of Greater San Antonio, Inc.

And

School of Science and Technology (SST)

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) sets for the terms and understanding between the ACE Mentor Program of Greater San Antonio (ACE) and the School of Science and Technology (SST) to create a volunteer based program to educate high school students of the opportunity available in the architecture, engineering, and construction industry.

Background

Formed under Section 501(c)3 of the District of Columbia in 2002, and the industry’s fastest-growing high school mentoring program, The ACE Mentor Program of America, Inc. reaches over 8,000 students nationwide. Our mission: to engage, excite and enlighten high school students to pursue careers in architecture, engineering, and construction through mentoring and to support their continued advancement in the industry.

Purpose and Method

As a local affiliate of ACE Mentor Program of America, ACE Mentor Program of Greater San Antonio Inc. seeks to partner with School of Science and Technology to engage students in a volunteer based program to teach students of the potential careers in architecture, engineering and construction. Comprised entirely of local industry volunteers, and funded from the generous donations of individuals and companies, ACE will generate an interactive learning environment that will take each student through the life cycle of a “mock” design and construction project that address “real-world” situations.

In addition to working on their projects, students visit professional firms, attend College Night at the University of Texas at San Antonio College of Architecture, and attend lectures on industry topics.
At the conclusion of the program year, students present their design solutions and receive feedback from local industry leaders.

**Funding**
Funding and fundraising will be the responsibility of ACE. School is responsible for students’ transportation.

**Duration and Frequency**
Meetings occur bi-weekly starting at the end of September through end of December. Meeting occur weekly starting at the beginning of January through beginning of April. Meetings are typically from 4:30-6:30pm at the school on a designated day.

**Responsibilities of Each Partner:**

**ACE:**
- Provide dedicated volunteer-mentors from all aspects of the engineering, architecture, and construction industry
- Provide a dedicated Board of Directors to coordinate and oversee the process
- Provide all funding through donations and fundraisers
- Provide background checks for all mentors
- Maintain general liability insurance through ACE

**School of Science and Technology (SST):**
- Provide one school champion to act as a liaison between ACE and SST
- Provide one co-school champion to act as alternate if the school champion cannot fulfill his/her duties
- Provide a dedicated place for the mentors to teach and interact with the students
- Recruit students interested in the engineering, architecture, and construction industry
- Provide transportation for the students to/from school for college night, site visits, and ACE events (approximately 2-4 trips)
This MOU is at-will and may be modified by mutual consent of authorized officials from ACE and School of Science and Technology (SST). This MOU shall become effective upon signature by the authorized officials from ACE and School of Science and Technology and will remain in effect until modified or terminated by any one of the partners by mutual consent. In the absence of mutual agreement by the authorized officials from ACE and School of Science and Technology this MOU shall end on May 2020.

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