



**ACE Mentor 2021 Fall Planning
Q&A Report:**

QUESTION	Answer
Hello! Wondering when we will find out about October in person events	We will let you know as soon as possible (latest by September 27th).
Also are we allowed to ask mentors about their vaccination status ? Or maybe it doesn't matter if we have to wear masks in all in person meetings	We are not asking about vaccinations for our mentors/volunteers/students. If an office/school/other location is asking for proof, comply with their requirements. Please follow all local CDC guidelines.
Has ACE National made any decisions on helping with insurance costs this year like last year?	We have not done the budget for this year yet. We will let affiliates know what the budget allows for.
Is it safe to assume any student recruiting presentations must also be virtual in september?	Yes, all student meetings need to be virtual - there should be no in-person meetings for students in September.
Will the waiver be part of the parent consent form for ACE this year? Or does a separate waiver need to be signed by parents?	Covid Waivers will not be part of the parent consent form.
Can we meet in-person with school administrators in september?	If necessary to meet in-person with schools, follow all CDC safety guidelines.
When will we know if we go live in October?	We will let you know as soon as possible and before September 27th.
Some of our hosts have indicated that we may need to provide vaccination info on the students and mentors. Can this be a database registration field?	We can do this under the new tagging system. Sub-admin access is required.
Our students loved their Summer Experience at Turner. Thank you!	This is wonderful!!! Thank you for sharing.
You can see a post with photos of our Turner summer experience students here: https://www.instagram.com/p/CTAhYwinbxa/?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link	Awesome! This is so wonderful!
Will we be able to see which background check is sent to mentors (L2 or L3) just to do a gut check confirmation that folks are getting the right one?	Yes, you will be able to see if it is a renewal or an initial background check. The renewal will kick in automatically
Canva is fantastic and easy to use	We are excited to be using Canva!
Will there be standardized ACE designs we can use on there?	We have loaded more templates into the folder. We can continue to do this if it will be helpful.
Are we to ask students and mentors if they ar vaccinated? Is that a requirement this year?	We are not asking about vaccinations for our mentors/volunteers/students. If an office/school/other location is asking for proof, comply with their requirements. Please follow all local CDC guidelines.
Would outdoor construction site visits be allowed in October/November?	Talk to your regional director for site visits
Can you provide the link for the ENR Yearbook?	They are posted on the TOOLS site under CHAPTER 17 PUBLICITY https://acementortools.org/publicity/#yearbooks
Will there be support from ACE National for these (Summer Experience) internships? For example, can an affiliate identify students then ACE National personnel will work with the student and company on the expectations and responsibilities of the opportunity or will that task fall to the affiliate itself?	Yes - we will definitely help affiliates with the Summer Experiences

Will this be a Zoom thing? (virtual Pathways) Will you be eblasting the students, or shall we?	Yes - the Virtual Pathways Event will be on zoom. We will share via social media, direct email to students, and send info to affiliates to share out to students/mentors.
SUCH a good idea to send the link to the students. Huge.	We hope that this will help get the parent consent forms completed.
Is the ban in Sept meetings only for on campus meetings - or does that mean a Mentor Mixer too?	Mentor mixers/events require a waiver and follow local CDC safety guidelines. Follow all COVID restrictions/rules of the location the event takes place. There should be no students at any in-person events in September.
Is there a Admin Conference planned?	We do not have any in-person Regional Meetings or All Affiliate Meetings scheduled at this time. We will continue to do virtual webinars on the topics that we'd normally cover during in-person conferences.
Do you have a sample waiver we can use?	We will send a sample waiver for you to use.
Does the internship program for ACE Alumni also provide information about jobs or just internships	We share job opportunities and internships for Alumni. We hope to do more and more of these to support the Alumni on their path into the industry.
If ACE sessions are held during regular class time (i.e. ACE is in 3rd period Tuesday), does the virtual requirement still apply?	It is recommended that the mentor zoom into sessions that are held during the school day. Please reach out to your RD if you need to discuss further.
General Comment: If requiring vaccines & masking of our mentors opens up the possibility of being in-person with students from a legal and safety standpoint - I'm of the opinion we should consider it. Student Attendance (and thus our ability to carry out our mission) suffers greatly under the remote model.	We hope to get back to in-person mentoring & meetings as as soon as possible.
Can we do a hybrid approach where mentors "zoom" in when kids are in person in school?	Yes - this is a great hybrid solution!
Are we allowed to ask mentor and students their vaccination status? Some of our schools will be requiring vaccination (if in Person)	We are not asking about vaccinations for our mentors/volunteers/students. If an office/school/other location is asking for proof, comply with their requirements. Please follow all local CDC guidelines.
Can we get a reminder or notice for expired background checks?	At this time logging into the database and looking at the background check content (who is/isn't registered and who actually needs a background check) is the best way to manage the background check.
I would recommend Ana U from Turner Construction for this pathway fair	Thank you - I'll follow up with you & connect her to Khalil - THANKS!
This slide show will be available online to share with board members	We will send out a link with the webinar, slides, q&a, Covid waiver, etc.
This critical-information slide should be emailed to each affiliate (not just included in the presentation).	We will email the information and include a sample waiver form.
Can ACE National provide training for mentors to teach them how to teach in a virtual environment. It's hard enough to teach face to face, almost none of our mentors have the training to teach virtually.	Yes - we will plan a chat session to exchange ideas and discuss best practices.
Are we allowed to follow the rules the public schools are using in our state? Or are you saying everyone MUST be virtual?	There should be no in-person contact with students. There are waivers available for mentors/volunteers if they must meet in person.
Just a note - it will be very challenging to convince our Mentors to do sessions over Zoom if we can't meet in person this Spring. Hoping things open up!	We hope so too!
How do we deal with vaccine mandates of host companies if we are able to go in person?	Follow the mandates of the host company if you are using their space.