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The ACE Mentor Program of America

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## The\_ACE Mentor Program of America local school champions receive recognition as the 2023 ACE Mentor Program School Champions of the Year.

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Five school champions with the ACE Mentor Program of America have received the designation of 2023 ACE Exemplary School Champion of the Year.

- Emiliano Sanchez, Bay Area
- Lester Wyman, DC
- Rhonda Sherman, Omaha
- Rick Boyd, Knoxville
- Jimmy Smith, Cleveland

The ACE Mentor Program of America knows that it is the volunteer mentors and school champions who make the program happen around the country. Their dedication and contributions to the lives of the students that they engage deserve to be recognized.

Volunteers serve as team leaders and board members, develop lesson plans and facilitate site visits, and of course, are the mentors for the next generation of construction professional.

Volunteering as an ACE Mentor is the best way to start identifying talent earlier and hiring students directly into local firms. For more information or to volunteer, please visit <u>www.acementor.org/find-a-program</u>.

## About the ACE Mentor Program:

Founded in 1994, the ACE Mentor Program consists of groups of mentors and groups of students, working as a team to complete a mock design project through the course of the school year (16-to-19 sessions). During this process students learn about all aspects of the integrated construction industry --- from project concept, to design, to construction and site safety considerations. ACE Mentor serves more than 10,000 students annually and has distributed more than \$28 million in scholarships for students entering architecture, construction, and engineering career pathways. For more information visit www.acementor.org

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