



## Attorney Mentoring Program

NJ LEEP's College Bound Program empowers high school students with both the hard academic and soft social-emotional skills necessary to succeed in college and beyond. Our curriculum **combines law-related education programming with college access programming**. Courses include Saturday grammar and writing, life skills, ACT preparation, study skills for college success, and Constitutional Law.

**Sophomores, juniors and seniors participate in a Constitutional Law Program and three Constitutional Law Debate competitions** held throughout the school year. Debates help our students develop the oral advocacy skills and self-confidence they will need to become successful in college and their professional lives. Students submit a written brief and give oral arguments to panels of attorneys acting as judges.



**Attorney mentors are paired with students 1:1 to help them prepare for each debate.** Mentors often meet with students more informally throughout the year in order to deepen the personal connection and offer the caring support of an accomplished adult.



**Mentors commit to serve for one academic year, September-May, and have at least one in-person or virtual meeting monthly with their mentee.**

**Mentors have a tremendous impact on our students by providing support, motivation and modeling. Mentors are trained before being connected to a student and are supported throughout the year by NJ LEEP staff.**



**Please consider becoming a mentor!**

If you are interested in serving as a mentor for an NJ LEEP Student, please contact Brian Giardina at 973- 297-1555, ext. 203 or [bgiardina@njleep.org](mailto:bgiardina@njleep.org), or fill out our application at <http://njleep.org/mentor-application-201718>.