Dear Superintendent/Principal:

The Principals' Center of the Connecticut Association of Schools is again offering a formal induction program for all beginning administrators in the state. The Principals' Center Mentor-Mentee Program is designed to help all beginning administrators enjoy success during their initial administrator years through the assistance of a mentor and related professional development activities. It is a research-based program that, with support from the Connecticut State Department of Education and the Wallace Foundation, has evolved into a model that will influence induction requirements at both the district and state levels. A brochure describing the two-year sequence is enclosed.

If you have hired any beginning administrators since January 1, 2008, please complete and return the attached form as soon as possible. Or, if you prefer, register your new administers on line at www.casciac.org. Each beginning administrator will receive a personal invitation to become involved in the Mentor-Mentee Program as soon as we receive the necessary information. Please discuss the involvement in the program with your beginning administrators.

Administration is becoming, as you well know, more and more demanding each year. We need to provide support to our beginning administrators in order to enhance their chances for earlier and more substantive success. Please let us know who your new administrators are and encourage them to participate.

Sincerely,

Mike Buckley, Director Connecticut Principals' Center