

## **Attorney Mentoring Program**

NJ LEEP's high school College Bound Program empowers low-income and first-generation 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 writing, life skills, ACT preparation, study skills for college success, and Constitutional Law.

Sophomores and juniors participate in a Constitutional Law Program and two 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, including helping students understand the cases, develop their arguments, write their briefs, and prepare their oral presentations.

Mentors commit to serve for one academic year, June-May, and attend approximately one inperson meeting a month from October – May with their mentee at NJ LEEP's Newark offices.

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!

More details are on our website at <a href="https://njleep.org/lawrelated">https://njleep.org/lawrelated</a>. If you are interested in serving as a mentor for an NJ LEEP student, please contact Julia Miller at <a href="miller@njleep.org">jmiller@njleep.org</a> or (908) 967-3441.