



School Liaison/ Sponsor

The School Liaison/Sponsor position at each school could be held by one or more persons. Their primary responsibilities would be to attend to the students identified at their school as selected Youth Leaders of the project while acting as a liaison with the school administration and work cooperatively with others in similar positions at the other schools. Characteristics for the best fit in the role would be:

Good Communication Skills • The liaison/sponsor is able to connect with the youth while communicating plans and ideas to the administration.

Well Educated • They are up to date on the current body of information and on effective means to address bullying. They would have done some research on the current literature and sites such as www.StopBully.gov to familiarize themselves with the nature and dynamics of bullying behavior.

Contact with the Entire School Body and Organization • They will have a knowledge and contacts within the entire system of the school. They would be most effective if familiar with the students, climate and culture of their school.

Enthusiasm • This person or persons would have a real interest in the topic as well as in change.

Group Skills • Leading a group of youth can be challenging so having some skill in “ice breakers”, facilitating group discussion, brainstorming ideas ...etc. would be advantageous.

Relationships Building • This staff would benefit from having connections or the ability to engage and build those to get other staff to “buy in” to new ideas, strategies and policies.