## RTP Mentorship/Stipend Application Instruction

Are you a student with a verifiable disability pursuing a degree in a science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) field of study? If so, you may qualify for financial assistance in the form of a Reaching the Pinnacle (RTP) Mentorship! If selected, you may be awarded up to \$1,000 per academic year!

## Qualifications for the RTP mentorship include:

- Cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher
- Majoring in a science, technology, engineering, or mathematics field
- Have a verifiable disability
- Be a U.S. citizen
- Be enrolled at NMSU or one of RTPs' partner colleges/universities

(For a complete listing of RTP partner colleges/universities visit our website: http://rtp.nmsu.edu)

RTP Mentors are required to maintain a minimum GPA of 2.0 or higher and are held to high academic standards. Mentors also serve as role models to secondary school students and are encouraged to play an active role in academic activities and RTP events. RTP mentors are also encouraged to apply for STEM related scholarships, internships and co-op opportunities. Mentors may also participate in ENTRY POINT!, an American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) program, which offers outstanding internship opportunities for students with disabilities in science, engineering, mathematics, and computer science.

## Responsibilities/Requirements of an RTP mentor:

• Maintain a GPA of 2.0 or higher

Mentors receiving \$300 per semester must maintain a GPA of 2.0 - 2.99 Mentors receiving \$500 per semester must maintain a GPA of 3.0 or higher

- Provide a minimum of ten hours of mentoring per semester
- Participate in a minimum of two mentor activities per semester
- Attend scheduled mentor meetings and activities
- Provide a class schedule, current transcript, and mentor log sheet at beginning of each semester

Below is a checklist to insure that you provide all the necessary paperwork and forms to complete the Reaching the Pinnacle Mentorship/Stipend registration process.

Mentorship Application
Transcript
<ul><li>Current copy of high school or college transcript (unofficial is acceptable)</li></ul>
Proof of Enrollment
Copy of your current class schedule or enrollment document
Verification of Disability
Visit local Student Accessibility Services Office to register
One-page Cover Letter
> One page letter telling us about yourself, why you are qualified to obtain a mentorship, reasons
for choosing a STEM major, and plans after graduation

If you have any questions or need additional information please contact the RTP office at:

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For additional information about RTP visit our website: http://rtp.nmsu.edu