***\*\* Students can identify, write about, share, and give opinions on these, or maybe add new “types” also\*\****

**Five Types of Mentors**

**Mentor #1: The Master of Craft**

Choose someone that has accomplished the goals that you would like to achieve one day. It could be someone you know, or even someone famous. Regardless of whether you ever get a chance to meet them, what can you learn or study about this person to find out how they accomplished their achievements?

**Mentor #2: The Champion of Your Cause**

This mentor is someone who will talk you up to others, who are advocates and who have your back. They believe in you, can write letters of recommendations, connect you with opportunities, and have shown you that they want to offer you support. For example, maybe it is your Puente counselor and writing instructor, your Puente Mentor, another faculty member, your favorite high school teacher, or a family member.

**Mentor #3: The Copilot**

Another name for this type: Your best school buddy. The copilot is the one who can share ideas about school projects, stay up late to study, share notes with, and listen to you vent over coffee. This kind of mentoring relationship is best when it’s someone who is also going through school at the same time. You are peers committed to supporting each other, collaborating with each other, and holding each other accountable. And when you have a copilot, both the quality of your school work and your involvement in school improve, especially when times get tough.

**Mentor #4: The Anchor**

This person doesn’t have to work in the career you are seeking — in fact, it could be a friend, a parent, a grandparent or just someone you know who always seems to give good advice when you are faced with challenges. While your champion supports you to achieve specific school/career goals, your anchor is someone you can trust and is a good listener when you need advice. We all go through challenges in life such as financial, personal relationships, and family issues and struggles. Because the anchor is keeping your overall best interests in mind, they can be particularly insightful when it comes to setting priorities, achieving work-life balance, and not losing sight of your values.

**Mentor #5: The Reverse Mentor**

Is there anyone in your life that looks up to you as a role model or a mentor? Maybe a younger sibling, a niece or nephew, a cousin, or a neighbor? But have you ever thought about what you can also learn from them? Always be open to learning from others, even if they are younger or less experienced than yourself.