



*“Achieving extraordinary life changing results for learners throughout the world.”*

Dear Community Member:

We need your help! On April 26-27th, over 400 Alternative High School students from 40 different school programs will gather at the Doubletree in Bloomington, and will compete in various events relating to skills necessary for career planning, interviewing, parenting, decision-making and public speaking. We are looking for area business people and community members like you to help us evaluate these competitions.

We need all levels of expertise, and we are looking for over 130 judges to help us out. It is very important students are evaluated by people other than their teachers at this event. We really need your input, experience, and opinion. Please consider donating approximately six hours (more if you can!) of your time for this worthy cause, and bring a friend or coworker along to help! ***Judges in the past have found this to be an extremely rewarding experience that is well worth their time and effort.***

As a judge, you will be asked to evaluate each performance based on your experience. In most cases you will be paired with another judge as well. We will provide the judges with an easy to follow scoring guide. We think the talent, hard work, and enthusiasm our students possess will impress you.

We invite you to join us for lunch or dinner over the hours you volunteer to judge for us. If judging is something that you are able to do, please fill out and return the enclosed form, find an electronic copy of the application on our website ([www.maapmn.org/stars](http://www.maapmn.org/stars)), OR contact me at one of the following:

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For more information about MAAP Stars, please visit our website ([www.maapmn.org](http://www.maapmn.org)). Thank you for all of your support,

Heather Fjelstad  
MAAP STARS Judges Chair

Kip and Liz Sackett  
MAAP STARS Spring Conference Co-Chairs

P.S. A sign-up sheet is attached/enclosed.