

# ACE MENTOR PROGRAM OF WASHINGTON PRESENTATION NIGHT

*Career Directions of High School Students in  
Architecture, Construction, and Engineering*

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 22, 2024**

**University of Washington Tacoma  
University YMCA Student Center**  
1710 Market St.  
Tacoma



**ACE MENTOR PROGRAM**  
ARCHITECTURE • CONSTRUCTION • ENGINEERING

**20 YEARS**  
SEATTLE • BELLEVUE • TACOMA



# ABOUT ACE

The ACE Mentor Program of Washington is just one affiliate of the ACE Mentor Program of America. There are 71 affiliates all over the country.

ACE in Washington started in 2001, with just one team with 11 students.

For the last 23 years, thousands of students have met with hundreds of mentors to learn about architecture, engineering, and construction careers. To date, \$1,148,500 in scholarships have been awarded to seniors studying these fields in college. We anticipate awarding another \$100,000+ to this year's seniors in June.

The best part? Several ACE alumni are back in Puget Sound working for the firms that mentored them, and even now mentoring for ACE! **ACE works!**

# STUDENT PROJECT

This year, 364 students from 78 area high schools completed ACE. They were mentored by 220 professionals from 80 local firms. Fifteen groups (eight in Seattle, four in Bellevue, two in Tacoma, and one fully virtual) met every other week to study every step of the building process, from the initial architectural designs to the final construction components.

This year, the ACE student design challenge was a historic preservation project, converting an abandoned structure into a "Library of the Future." The "RFP" (Request for Proposal) outlined several aspects of the design:

- 20,000 square feet
- Library collections, public reception, electronic workspaces
- Potential outdoors spaces, maker's spaces, or retail opportunities
- Sustainable design features & potential certifications (LEED, ILFI, etc.)
  - Accessibility and inclusivity considerations
  - \$15 million budget

THANK YOU to **Seneca Group (plus Gemdale and Blitz Holdings)** for providing the RFP and serving as an "Owner" mentor this year.



## ***Welcome to Student Presentation Night!***

Two ACE teams will present their design projects. Audience members are encouraged to participate in Q&A after the presentations.

## **INTRO**

Emcee Jeff Klein | PCS STRUCTURAL SOLUTIONS

### **TUESDAY TACOMA TEAM**

“Cushman Library of the Future”

Bethany Morales | SWENSON SAY FAGET

### **WEDNESDAY TACOMA TEAM**

“Library of the Future”

Jessica Archer-Rucshner | RICE FERGUS MILLER

## **THANK YOU TO OUR OWNER REPRESENTATIVE**

Luis Martinez

Refreshments served after the presentations.

Thank you to **UW TACOMA** for hosting the event tonight.

Thank you to **FREIHEIT ARCHITECTURE** for printing the program.

Thank you to **LEASE CRUTCHER LEWIS & MORTENSON** for providing the refreshments.

# STUDENTS

SENIORS IN BOLD

## TUESDAY TACOMA TEAM

**Aislinn Sikes, IDEA**

**Anders Bergholm, SOTA**

Ashley Contreras Avila, Raisbeck  
Aviation

**Audrey Looper, Delores Silas**

Aurora Bakke-Cotton, SOTA

Billie Roberts, SOTA

Brian Cortes, IDEA

Brooke VanRavenswaay, Curtis

**Cade Bowen, SOTA**

**Christina Kong, Rogers**

**Corban Smith, Puyallup**

Evan Gregg, Curtis

Liam Bergholm, SOTA

**Lillie Brooks - Walker, IDEA**

**Lucas Nagy, Curtis**

Nickari Lomax, Raisbeck Aviation

Noah Herman, IDEA

**Patricia Dao, Rogers**

**Sean Kinnunen, Rogers**

Stephen Atkins, SOTA

**Troy Sukgen, Rogers**

## WEDNESDAY TACOMA TEAM

**Ashley Mendoza, SOTA**

Ethan Olson, Rogers

Gianna Tilk, Emerald Ridge

Heribert Mendoza, IDEA

**Jacob Hill, SOTA**

Kaveh Hajarizadeh, SOTA

Laniyah Ezell, Decatur

**Leedan Leng-Lim, Lincoln**

Levi Reed, Puyallup

Maya Bosteder-Canche, Lincoln

Miller Woods, IDEA

**Nevaeh Domingo, SOTA**

**Obsidian Schell, IDEA**

Sienna Mayo, Decatur

Skyler Van Vleck, Foss

Solomon West, Stadium

**Tatum Wehnert, IDEA**

**Trevon Phasavath, Federal Way**

# MENTORS

INDIVIDUAL TEAM LEADERS IN BOLD

## TUESDAY TACOMA TEAM

### **Bethany Morales, Swenson Say Faget**

Erin Kerney, Nature by Design, Inc.

Gregory Horodyski, Tacoma Power

Jared Chapman, Mortenson

Kallie Maas, McInnis Engineering

Karina Bovee, Swenson Say Faget

Leah Engelhardt, Lydig Construction

Sarah Commet, Weddermann Architecture

Scott Kubiszewski, Lease Crutcher Lewis

## WEDNESDAY TACOMA TEAM

Abby Dorrell, Clark Construction Group

Francesco Alvau, Valley Electric

Jaeden Biehn, Clark Construction Group

Jaycob Greissl, PCS Structural Solutions

### **Jessica Archer-Rucshner, Rice Fergus Miller**

Noah Cochran, OAC Services

Ray Vefik, Vefik Architecture

Taylor Fischlin, Korsmo Construction

Theo Boyles, McKinstry

# ACE MENTORS FOR WILL



GIVE IT YOUR ALL.  
GIVE BLOOD.



JOIN THE ACE VIRTUAL BLOOD DRIVE

MAY 20 TO JUNE 10



Calling all students, mentors, alumni, and friends! We were shocked to learn that **Will Turpin**, an ACE student from Jackson High on Thursday Seattle Team 1, was just diagnosed with Acute Promyelocytic Leukemia and is undergoing intensive treatment at Seattle Children's. To support Will and others in our area, join ACE in a **virtual blood drive**! Scan the QR code to make an appointment at any Bloodworks NW location or current blood drive. Use the code **"WILL"** when you check in!

BloodworksNW.org / 800-398-7888

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# SENIOR INSTRUCTIONS

Before you move on to a bright post-ACE future, we need you to do two important tasks: **UPDATE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS** and **REGISTER AS AN ALUMNUS**.

If you currently use a school email address, it will expire soon and we will lose contact with you! Change it to a Gmail, Hotmail, Outlook, or other personal email. Log into your ACE profile. Click **PROFILE ▶ ACTION ▶ EDIT (change email) ▶ APPLY**.

Additionally, ACE alumni receive e-newsletters with opportunities for jobs, scholarships, and mentoring, as well as ACE news. Log into your ACE profile. Click **ALUMNI REQUEST ▶ REGISTER!** It's that easy!

**GOOD LUCK IN YOUR FUTURE ENDEAVORS.  
ACE IS PROUD OF YOU!**

## SUPPORT ACE

It costs about \$300 per student to run the ACE Mentor Program. Tax-deductible donations from corporate firms and individuals like you allow us to continue to offer this \$1-million program free of charge to students all around Puget Sound.

### Please accept my gift of:

\$1,000

\$500

\$250

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Questions? Contact our Executive Director, Angela Gottula, at 425-750-4522.  
Thank you for your continued support!



## **MISSION STATEMENT**

ACE is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization. The program's mission is to engage, excite, and enlighten high school students to pursue careers in the integrated construction industry through mentoring; and to support their continued advancement in the industry through scholarships and grants.