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## CONTACTING YOUR SUPERVISOR

Contacting the community partner is one of the first steps to beginning a successful service-learning experience. Students should only contact the community partner after an official assignment has been made by the course faculty.

## TIPS FOR CALLING

- Act fast. Make contact within days of receiving an official assignment from the course faculty. Community partners have been anxiously awaiting this call.
- <u>Provide the details</u>. If leaving a message, provide a phone number and email, as well as mention an affiliation with a specific APPLES course.
- <u>Be persistent</u>. It is often difficult to contact site supervisors, as community partners are often understaffed. Keep trying!

## **ITEMS TO DISCUSS**

- Exchange introductions
- □ Course name and description and the project description
- □ Time for an initial meeting/orientation to complete the service-learning agreement
  - Meeting time:
- Directions and other transportation related information, such as bus lines.
  - Directions:
- □ Is a formal orientation required?
  - Orientation date:
- Are additional materials, such as references or an application required?
  - Other requirements:
- Exchange contact information and the best way to contact each other
  - Community partner:
  - Name:
  - Email:
  - Phone number: