

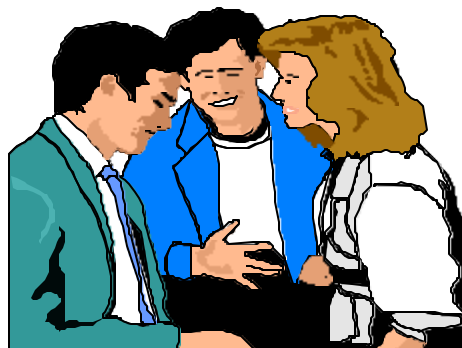
Description of a Mentor

WHAT IS A MENTOR?

A mentor is a member of the community, 21 years or older, who is willing to give of their time to talk with a student and assist the student in achieving personal, academic and career exploration goals. The mentor receives no money or recognition for this. A mentor is **not** a parent, counselor or social worker. A mentor is a friend and guide.

WHAT DOES A MENTOR DO?

Your mentors will support and listen to you, answer your questions or help you to find the answers, and share with you all of those things that they wish somebody had shared with them when they were in school. Mentors want to make sure that you are able to reach your goals. They want to make sure that in the future, you spend your time doing what makes you feel fulfilled as a person. They can help you. These are caring, giving people. They have wisdom to offer you. Find it!



WHO CAN APPLY?

Any student, 18 years or under, who desires to learn from others and create a network of positive role models. These students are persons who are seeking to better themselves.

WHAT DO STUDENTS DO?

Students are willing to accept guidance and support from a mentor. Students are willing to participate, commit to attending all scheduled meetings and work with their mentor through the duration of the program. Students must have the support and commitment of their parents. Students take responsibility for their own growth and development by developing personal goals with their mentors. Students are open to coaching and feedback from their mentors.

POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OR BARRIERS TO PARTICIPATION

Applying for acceptance into the program is strongly discouraged if transportation, employment in or outside the home, and/or extracurricular activities will prevent the student from meeting participation requirements. Students are **expected** to meet all scheduled commitments with their mentor or notify their mentor in advance to reschedule.