



Group Mentoring

Become a Mentor!

Overview

The LINKS Mentoring Program is seeking adult volunteer mentors to become positive role models for students at Hickey and North Area Jr/Sr High Schools and Calvine and Kinney Continuation High Schools.

This program is unique because it offers ongoing support to mentor/protégé matches by providing staff-facilitated, structured mentoring sessions each week. The mentor/protégé matches benefit from group interaction and one-to-one time and can always rely on staff to bring ideas for fun and meaningful interaction.

Mentors meet with their protégés for one hour each week. The mentoring sessions consist of group activities, combined with one-to-one time for mentors and protégés. The meetings and activities center around specific themes, including Career Exploration/Job Seeking Skills, Interpersonal/Life Skills, Financial Savvy and Money Management, Community Service/Service Learning projects, Health and Wellness, and Planning for the Future. Staff are on hand at each group mentor meeting to organize activities and provide materials and support.

We are seeking adult mentors to participate during the 2010-11 school year. You may commit to a semester or full school year. The process is simple: complete the application; schedule an orientation/interview; complete the background check/TB test; and attend a brief training.

The LINKS Mentoring Program is operated by the Sacramento County Office of Education's Prevention and Student Services (PASS) Department.

Available Schools

- ✓ **Calvine High School** – Mentoring Sessions Wednesdays, 2:35 -3:35 p.m.
8333 Vintage Park Drive, Sacramento 95828
- ✓ **Elinor Hickey Jr/Sr High School** – Mentoring Sessions Wednesdays, 11:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m.
2040 Ethan Way, Sacramento 95825
- ✓ **Kinney High School** – Mentoring Sessions Wednesdays, 10:45-11:45 a.m.
2710 Kilgore Road, Rancho Cordova 95670-6104
- ✓ **North Area Jr/Sr High School** – Mentoring Sessions Thursdays, 10:00-11:00 a.m.
4000 Pinell Street, Sacramento 95838

How to Become a Mentor

- ✓ Contact Cheryl Raney at (916) 228-2201 or craney@scoe.net to request an application packet
- ✓ Attend an interview/orientation meeting
- ✓ Complete background check and TB test
- ✓ Attend a brief mentor training
- ✓ Be matched with a student at the school site convenient to you
- ✓ Attend mentor sessions once per week as scheduled

For businesses, service groups and other organizations, please call Cheryl Raney at 228-2201 for more information or to schedule a presentation.



MENTOR APPLICATION

Thank you for your interest in becoming a mentor. The LINKS Mentoring Program is designed to provide mentors to young people in grades 7-12. The program is designed to help students improve academic performance, attendance and social skills by matching students with an adult friend.

The information requested in this application will be used to match adults and students. Please complete the application and return it to our office. Potential mentors will be called to schedule interviews. If you are unable to commit to be a mentor now, but are interested in mentoring in the future, the application should still be submitted to our office as soon as possible.

Mail the completed application to Ryan Miranda or Lindsay Cathcart, Sacramento County Office of Education, Prevention & Student Services, P.O. Box 269003, Sacramento, CA 95826-9003, or fax to (916) 228-2216.

NOTE: *Information is for office use only and will be maintained as confidential.*

NAME _____

HOME ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____ CELL PHONE _____

EMPLOYER _____ YOUR POSITION _____

WORK ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ZIP _____ WORK PHONE _____

EMAIL _____ ETHNICITY (optional) _____

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT OUR PROGRAM? _____

WORK EXPERIENCE

Employer	Dates	Position
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EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

High School	Diploma or Equivalent	Date
College or Trade School	Degree//Certificate	Date
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EXPERIENCE - *List any experience you have had working with or mentoring youth (where, when, and your role or responsibility)*

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HOBBIES OR INTERESTS

PERSONAL STATEMENT - Write a brief statement telling us why you believe mentoring is important and why you would like to become a mentor.

PERSONAL REFERENCES - List three (3) personal references that we may contact. Please do not list immediate family members. References should be people you have known for at least two (2) years.

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	ADDRESS/CITY/ZIP	PHONE
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

AVAILABLE LOCATIONS

Mentor sessions are one hour per week. Please check which school site works best for you. Available mentoring locations:

- Calvine High School, 8333 Vintage Park Drive, Sacramento
- E.L. Hickey Jr./Sr. High School, 2040 Ethan Way, Sacramento
- Kinney High School, 2710 Kilgore Road, Rancho Cordova
- North Area Community School, 4000 Pinnell Street, Sacramento

STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT

I agree to mentor a student one hour per week at the location indicated above. I understand that fingerprinting, a confidential background check and a negative TB test are required, and will be arranged by the Sacramento County Office of Education. I agree to attend an orientation before I start.

Applicant's Signature _____
Date

EMPLOYER/SUPERVISOR APPROVAL

I agree to the time commitment necessary for the above employee to participate in this mentor program.

Employer/Supervisor Signature _____
Date

If you have questions about this program or the application, you may contact Ryan Miranda at (916) 228-2412 or Lindsay Cathcart at (916) 228-2565.