

Get Engaged

Mentors and tutors are required to attend a two-hour workshop, after which you will be matched with a student at the sponsored school. The school's family & community liaison will contact the mentor or tutor to set the session days and times to meet with the mentee.

Volunteer are required to sign in at the front desk, wear a visitor badge on campus and log their volunteer hours in the volunteer system.

Mentoring sessions can begin in Mid-August and conclude in Mid-May for summer break.

At the end of the school year mentors will be asked if they will consider following their mentees to the next grade level. The school family & community liaison will contact the mentor at the beginning of the next school year.



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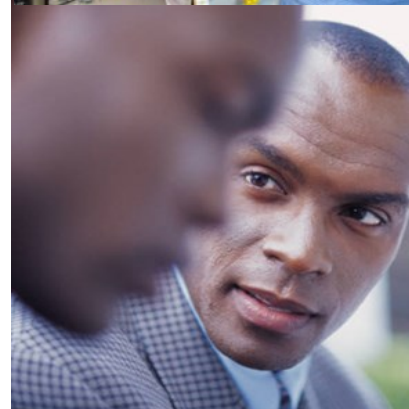
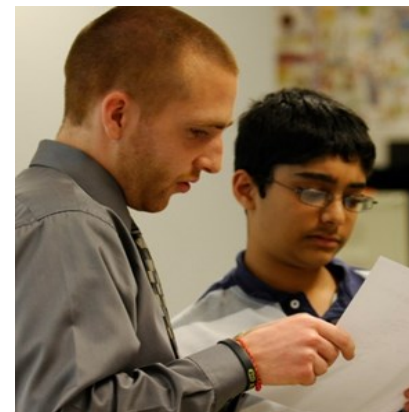
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For more information about volunteering
as a mentor or tutor in a
Pinellas County School please contact
The Office of Strategic Partnerships
at 727-588-5050 or
Email: volunteer.org.



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Mentoring

**A one-hour investment =
a life time of returns for
you and our students**

Pinellas County Schools Mentor and Tutor Programs

A mentor is committed to helping a student experience greater success academically, socially, mentally and physically. Mentors are caring adults who develop an on-going one-to-one relationship with a student.

Mentors have an opportunity to relate to children; they can be friends rather than authority figures. They create build student's self-esteem and encourage growth and development.

Be a part of the 2500+ active Pinellas County School volunteer mentors. You can collectively impact their lives by:

- Improving attitudes toward family, peers, and teachers
- Encouraging students to stay motivated and focused on their education
- Providing a positive way for young people to spend free time
- Helping young people face daily challenges
- Offering young people opportunities to consider new career paths and get much needed economic skills and knowledge
- Listening without judging

Mentors help students:

- Plan for school
- Set career/personal goals
- Make healthy choices about day-to-day life
- Work through problems

Programs

All mentoring programs offered are during the school day on school grounds or at school sponsored events. Students are selected and matched with mentors in the following programs:

General Mentors – Students who need one-on-one guidance, support and an additional adult in their life as a role model.

5000 Role Models of Excellence – A group mentoring program designed to boost the self-image, increase the social skills and academic performance of targeted males.

Girlfriends of Pinellas County – A group mentoring program designed to empower young ladies through academic support. Students are provided resources and tools to encourage high self-esteem.

Born Eagles – A program to promoting positive youth development, learning and networking.

Mentoring Village —Mentoring Village is an Email Communications System, Pinellas County Schools offers an interactive digital environment called “*Chat-A-Way*.” Chat-A-Way is a new communications setting that provides mentors with additional channels to interact with their student(s) between face-to-face sessions.

Tutors —A tutor is a special type of volunteer committed to helping a student experience academic success. Tutors assists students on an individual basis or in small groups to reinforce basic skills in a academic subjects. Placements are made with students in K-12 grade.

Benefits of Mentoring to an Organization

- Participates have higher employee satisfaction, leading to increase in productivity and reduced rate of turnover
- Mentoring encourages personal growth & improves self confidence
- Increases positive moral at work with colleagues
- Enhances businesses community image and awareness of the organizations vision and mission

To Get Started

All volunteer mentors and tutors will complete a volunteer registration form and provide a government issued ID. Pinellas County Schools will process a level one background screening prior to mentoring.

