



Cameron Middle School Mentorship Program



Mentorship Program

- The Cameron Middle School Mentorship program is designed to match a student with an adult mentor
- Through the program, a mentor would meet with a student once per week, typically during the lunch hour
- After lunch, the mentor will spend about 15-20 minutes working with the student one on one

Benefits of Having A Mentor

- Mentoring promotes healthy and positive relationships between mentees and mentors which in turn builds community capacity
- Mentoring activities promote self-esteem, confidence and social appropriateness
- Mentoring supports strength-based practices that build resilience

What is a Mentor?

- A trusted guide and friend
- Someone who will help a mentee explore opportunities
- Someone who will listen to a mentee without judging them
- Someone who may have good ideas about how to deal with difficult situations
- Someone FUN!
- There just for the mentee

A Mentor is Not:

- A tutor (though they can help with homework if they choose)
- A parent or teacher of the mentee



How to Be Mentor

- Be a strong and positive example
- Listen just as much, if not more, than you talk
- Make sure that the child knows you want to be there, and that you enjoy being with them
- Avoid lecturing
- Be consistent with your meetings
- Be there for the mentees, what might just seem like socializing to you means the world to them
- Be yourself. Share your experiences and your failures. The more you are yourself, the stronger of a relationship you will build with your mentee
- Answer questions as openly and truthfully as you can

Mentorship Guidelines

- Mentors are asked to commit to mentoring for at least one school year
- Meet with a mentee one hour each week school is in session (typically over the lunch hour for about 45 minutes)
- Communicate with the Mentor Coordinator on an ongoing basis during the year
- Mentee visits are to take place on school grounds, during the school day
- Report any personal, social, family, academic or other concerns of the mentee, immediately to the Mentor Coordinator or School Principal
- Contact the Mentor Coordinator or Middle School office if you are unable to make an appointment with your mentee

How do I Become a Mentor?

- If you are interested in becoming a mentor to a student at the Cameron Middle School, please contact Andrea Pearson (School Counselor) at 715-458-4560 or apearson@cameron.k12.wi.us
- You will be asked to fill out an application form and complete a background check

How do I sign up my student for the Mentorship Program?

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