


PCS Mentoring Programs



2018-2019

Pinellas County Schools Mentoring Programs



Take Stock in Children – (TSIC) is a Top Priority for MS/HS liaison and district staff to recruit mentors for all TSIC students. TSIC Mentors must meet with their mentee a minimum of 15 sessions throughout the school year. Sessions logged in the volunteer system under TSIC

Lunch Pals is the elementary mentor program. The Lunch Pals Mentor Coordinator is specifically tasked with the marketing, recruitment and matching of organization & companies primarily at the elementary school level. Sessions are logged in the volunteer system under Lunch Pals.

5000 RM/Girlfriends are group-mentoring programs. The facilitators and/or mentors must have a profile in the volunteer system and the students should be associated to the profile. Sessions are logged in volunteer system under 5000 RM/Girlfriends.

Big Brothers Big Sister have a school-based mentoring program for all elementary and middle school students. The mentors must have a profile in the volunteer system and the students is associated to the profile. Sessions are logged in the volunteer system under BBBS.

Peer to Peer is a High School 11th or 12 grade mentoring program that supports incoming 8th and 9th graders. Recruitment of peer mentors is done internally by school staff; and trained by the district office. Sessions are logged in the volunteer system under Peer to Peer.

General Mentoring is a category used for programs that are not listed above. Example: *Achieva Credit Union mentors students once a month in the academy of finance at Northeast HS so they can track.*

The President has proclaimed January as National Mentoring Month and Pinellas County Schools (PCS) celebrates over 3,000 active mentors. Research has shown that when matched through a quality mentoring program, mentors can play a powerful role in providing young people with the tools to make responsible decisions and stay focused and engaged in school. The National Mentoring Month public awareness campaign is led by the National Mentoring Partnership, the Corporation for National and Community Service, the Harvard School of Public Health, the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, and United Way Worldwide.


PCS' mentoring programs include general mentors (503), Lunch Pals (1073), Take Stock in Children (1017), 5000 Role Models of Excellence (230), Girlfriends (224), Big Brothers Big Sisters (78), and Peer-to-Peer Mentoring (75).





- Provide Lunch Pals Mentors
- Participated in Great American Teach-In
- Participated in the Family Resource Fair
- Provide mentors for Take Stock In Children
- Classroom partner to many schools
- Waste Management Program is in several schools
- Provide opportunities for field trips
- Works with Industry Certification Program


Mentoring Process

- PCS – Process registration form & background screening
 - Attend Mentor Training
 - Mentor – Select School and grade level of student
 - School – Match student to mentor in volunteer system & contact mentor to arrange mentor sessions. This process will take 10 days from the date of workshop
 - Mentors – Log hours in Volunteer system
 - Mentor sessions conclude in Mid-May for summer **break**
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VIRTUAL MENTORING


To connect stakeholders with a Virtual Mentoring (V.M.) capability for higher learning and enhancing an effective mentoring relationship.

V.M. will be used to create an interactive environment where mentors and mentees can build a productive working relationship to enhance student learning. The V.M. will create opportunities to share their time, knowledge and experience, in addition to 4 face-to-face sessions.



VIRTUAL MENTORING GUIDELINES

- All mentors must be registered volunteers.
 - Mentors must attend a mentor training.
 - Each mentor/mentees session will be during the student's lunch or during a non-academic class.
 - A commitment of at least four face-to-face session during the school year.
 - Mentoring activities are limited to school grounds or school sponsored activities.
 - No emails, texting, sharing of phone numbers, meeting with family members or social media contact...
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- Schools will provide a secure computer with camera and headphones for sessions.
 - Students will be in the presents of a PCS Employee/Level 2 volunteer.
 - Each sessions will be set by the district office and the sessions will be recorded and stored.
 - Parent, Student and Mentor guidelines handouts and permission slips will be signed prior to sessions starting.
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Thank you

