



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 mentoring 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 focus on 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. A program staff member is assigned to each school and facilitates each group mentor session, providing organized activities, materials and support.

We are seeking adult mentors to participate during the 2011-12 school year. You may commit to one semester or a full school year. Mentoring sessions occur during the school day, usually mid-morning or early afternoon. Participating students have expressed a desire to work with a mentor to help them prepare for life after high school and have completed an application and orientation process.

### 2011-12 School Year – Available Schools and Mentoring Sessions

- ✓ **Calvine High School** – Mentoring Sessions Wednesdays, 10:35 to 11:30 a.m. and 2:35 to 3:30 p.m.  
8333 Vintage Park Drive, Sacramento 95828
- ✓ **Elinor Hickey Jr/Sr High School** – Mentoring Sessions Thursdays, 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.  
2040 Ethan Way, Sacramento 95825
- ✓ **Kinney High School** –Mentoring Sessions Wednesdays, 10:45 to 11:45 a.m.  
2710 Kilgore Road, Rancho Cordova 95670-6104
- ✓ **North Area Jr/Sr High School** –Mentoring Sessions Tuesdays, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.  
4000 Pinell Street, Sacramento 95838

### How to Become a Mentor

- ✓ Request an application packet by contacting  
Lindsay Cathcart at (916) 228-2565 or lcathcart@scoe.net  
Ryan Miranda at (916) 228-2412 or rmiranda@scoe.net
- ✓ Schedule and attend an interview/orientation meeting
- ✓ Complete background check and TB test and receive clearance
- ✓ 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.



## Mentoring

**Welcome!**

### **Interview/Orientation**

*Please contact program staff to participate in the interview and orientation process and receive materials for fingerprint/background check and TB testing.*

- *Tuesday, July 19, 2011, Sacramento County Office of Education, Room A, 12:00 to 2:00 p.m.*
- *Wednesday, July 27, 2011, Sacramento County Office of Education, Room A, 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.*
- *Monday, August 1, 2011, Sacramento County Office of Education, Room 2, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.*
- *Thursday, August 18, 2011, Sacramento County Office of Education, Room A, 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.*
- *Monday, August 22, 2011, Sacramento County Office of Education, Room A, 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.*

### **Mentor Training**

- *Thursday, August 18, 2011, Sacramento County Office of Education, Mather Room, 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.*
- *Monday, August 22, 2011, Sacramento County Office of Education, Mather Room, 12:00 to 1:30 p.m.*

The Sacramento County Office of Education is located at 10474 Mather Boulevard, Mather, CA 95655 on the former Mather Air Force Base.

To participate in the LINKS Mentoring Program, mentors must be interviewed, receive orientation and training, and receive clear background check and TB test.

To schedule an Interview/Orientation and/or a Mentor Training, please contact Lindsay Cathcart, 916-228-2565 or [lcathcart@scoe.net](mailto:lcathcart@scoe.net) or Ryan Miranda, 916-228-2412 or [rmiranda@scoe.net](mailto:rmiranda@scoe.net).



# 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**

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

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**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.

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**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.

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Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**EMPLOYER/SUPERVISOR APPROVAL**

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

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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.