

Youth Mentoring Program



This allows us to talk to the teacher and school about your student

Contact and Information Release

Youth Name: _____ Date: _____

School: _____

I hereby grant permission for the Henry County Mentoring Program to make contact with my child and conduct a personal interview for the purposes of applying to be a mentee. Henry County Mentoring may also make contact with my child on school premises for the purposes of screening and interviewing as well as ongoing support of his/her participation in the mentoring program.

I hereby authorize Henry County Mentoring to obtain any needed information regarding my child from his/her school's staff, including academic and behavioral records and conversations with teachers, counselors and other administrative staff.

Further, I understand that basic information about my child will be anonymously (without names) shared with prospective mentor(s) to aid in determining a suitable match. Once a mentor/mentee match is determined, my and my child's identity and other relevant information will be shared with the mentor to the extent it aids in facilitating a successful match.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____
Date

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Phone Number _____

Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Relationship to Youth: Mother _____ Father _____ Other (please specify) _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Youth Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____ Gender: Male _____ Female _____

Ethnicity: White _____ Hispanic _____ African American _____ Asian _____ Other _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

E-mail (if you want the Mentoring E-Newsletter) - _____

This lets us interact with your student.

Parental Consent

(please read carefully before signing)

The Henry County Mentoring Program appreciates you and your child's interest in participating as a mentee. This application intended as a means of informing and gaining the consent of the parent/guardian to allow their son/daughter to participate in the Henry County Mentoring Program.

We screen our mentors before accepting them into the program. They are then matched with your student based on common interests. If your student and mentor would like to meet outside of school, we contact you and set a meeting for you to meet with the mentor and share our community based mentoring guidelines. You are welcome to meet your student's mentor anytime, just contact our program or the school and we will arrange a meeting.

Please read and initial each of the following:

I give my informed consent and permission for my child to participate in the Henry County Mentoring Program and its related activities.

I permit my child to complete a written pre and post mentoring survey. *(There are no known risks to the child and in order to prevent a breach of confidentiality, all information gathered throughout the program period will not be identified by individual student.)* The survey is used to assess the overall effectiveness of mentoring statewide.

I understand that participation is voluntary and that my child has the right to withdraw from the program at any time.

I agree to have my child follow all mentoring program guidelines and understand that any violation on my child's part may result in suspension and/or termination of the mentoring relationship.

I release the Henry County Mentoring Program of all liability of injury, death, or other damages to me, my child, family, estate, heirs, or assigns that may result from his/her participation in the program including but not limited to transportation, and hold harmless any Henry County mentor, program staff, or other representatives, both collectively and individually, of any injury, physical or emotional, other than where gross negligence has been determined.

(optional) I agree to allow Henry County Mentoring to use any photographic image of my child taken while participating in the mentoring program. These images may be used in promotions or other related marketing materials.

I understand that I must return all of the following *completed* items along with this application and that any incomplete information my result in the delay of my application being processed.

By signing below, I attest to the truthfulness of all of the information listed on this application and agree to all of the above terms and conditions.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

**You have to read and sign the other side of this paper too.
Just return to the school office. Call with any questions.**



Youth Application *(to be completed by the student)*

Name: _____

Date: _____

So what is this Mentoring thing?

A mentor is an older student or an adult who is there to show you the ropes. They offer guidance, support and encouragement. They are a sounding board for you. They are a friend.

How often do we meet?

You and your mentor meet one hour a week or twice per month. Each week you do activities that interest them both, such as, playing games, playing sports, doing homework, learning a new hobby, planting a community garden or just sitting together and talking.

How is a match made?

You are matched with an adult who has similar interests to you. This application has a section where you let us know your hobbies, interests or things you would like to try. Then we sit down and chat with each person. Based on what we know about the mentor and about you, we try match you with someone that you will get along with—and both of you will truly enjoy hanging out together.

What if we don't get along?

The match process is very careful and the likelihood of a bad match is quite small, but in the event you don't get along with your mentor, you can tell your parent, the program director or your school guidance counselor. Don't worry, you won't get in trouble—then we'll try to rematch with someone else.

What's next?

1. Fill out this application completely and ask your parents to complete their application. Return those to your counselor or to the Henry County Mentoring Program Coordinator.
2. We send you a letter or call you on the phone telling you whether you're accepted into the program. We ask about what you like to do and what your parents would like for you to be a part of.
3. You and your parent/guardian meet with the mentor and see if it is a good fit. Then you're ready to go.

Interest and Activities Survey

Check the activities you enjoy. Leave blank things you have no interest in doing.

Sports

- ___ Archery
- ___ Auto Racing
- ___ Baseball
- ___ Basketball
- ___ Bowling
- ___ Cheering
- ___ Football
- ___ Frisbee
- ___ Golf (regular/miniature)
- ___ Handball
- ___ Hockey
- ___ Ice Skating
- ___ Martial Arts
- ___ Ping Pong
- ___ Racquetball
- ___ Roller Skating
- ___ Skiing
- ___ Sledding
- ___ Snowmobiling
- ___ Soccer
- ___ Swimming
- ___ Tennis
- ___ Track
- ___ Volleyball
- ___ Weight Lifting
- ___ Wrestling

Artisan Crafts

- ___ Bead Work
- ___ Carving
- ___ Crocheting
- ___ Drawing
- ___ Knitting
- ___ Model Cars
- ___ Painting
- ___ Photography
- ___ Quilting
- ___ Scrapbooking
- ___ Sewing
- ___ Wood Working

Recreation & Entertainment

- ___ Acting
- ___ Animals
- ___ Astronomy
- ___ Biking
- ___ Board Games
- ___ Canoeing
- ___ Cards
- ___ Computers
- ___ Concerts
- ___ Cooking
- ___ Dancing
- ___ Fishing
- ___ Four Wheeling
- ___ Gardening
- ___ Geology
- ___ Hiking—Nature
- ___ Horseback Riding
- ___ Jogging/Running
- ___ Motorcycling
- ___ Movies
- ___ Museums
- ___ Picnicking
- ___ Pool, Pinball, Foosball
- ___ Reading
- ___ Rock Climbing
- ___ Rodeo
- ___ Shopping
- ___ Singing
- ___ Talking
- ___ Video Games
- ___ Walking
- ___ Working on Cars

Collections

Do You Play a Musical Instrument?

Do You Speak a Foreign Language?

Choose the Top 5 of the choices you made and list them below:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____