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UPLIFT 2 SUCCESS Peer Mentor Application

Personal Information

Name _____ Student ID # _____

Address _____ Driver's License # _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ E-mail _____

Home # _____ Cell # _____ Work # _____

Employer _____ Job Title _____

Supervisor's Name _____ Length on Job _____

Do you object to our agency running a reference check on you? No Yes

Mentoring Information

Why do you want to be a mentor?

Do you have any hobbies or special skills?

Do you have any previous experience volunteering or working with youth?

Do you speak any other languages? If yes, which languages.

Can you meet with a child as often as our program requires? Yes No

What times can you meet with your mentee? During Lunch After School After 5:00 pm Weekends During regular business hours

Would you be willing to work with a child who has disabilities? Yes No

Would you prefer to be matched with a child from a specific: _____

Grade Level _____ Ethnicity _____ Gender _____

References - Please list the names, address, and phone numbers of three people you would like to use as character references (please list only people you have known for at least a year)

Name _____ Phone # _____

Address _____ Relationship _____

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Please read carefully before signing:

Our program appreciates your interest in becoming a mentor to a child. By signing below, you attest to the truthfulness of all information listed on this application. You agree to let our program confirm all information listed and to conduct a reference check.

I have read and understand the program's rules, regulations, and responsibilities for becoming a mentor. If selected, I will follow the rules of the program and be a dedicated mentor. I agree to the time commitment of at least 12 hours per month and 12 months.

Signature _____ Date _____

**PROJECT UPLIFT & UPLIFT 2 SUCCESS
MENTORING PROGRAMS**

Be Somebody....Be a Mentor



Mentor Job Description

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The Project Uplift and the Uplift 2 Success Peer Mentoring Programs help to empower youth in our community to make positive life choices that enable them to maximize their true potential. The Mentoring Program uses adult and peer volunteers to commit to supporting, guiding, and being a friend to a young person consistently for a period of at least one year. By becoming part of the social network of peers, adults and community members who care about the youth, the mentor can help youth develop and reach positive academic, career, and personal goals.

Mentor Role

- Take the lead in supporting a young person through an ongoing, one-to-one relationship
- Serve as a positive role model and friend
- Build self-esteem and motivation
- Help set goals and work toward accomplishing them
- Give positive feedback and encouragement

Time Commitment

- Make at least a one-year (school year) commitment
- Spend a minimum 3 hours per week one-to-one with a mentee
- Communicate with the mentee weekly
- Attend an initial ten-hour training and orientation and an additional two-hour training session each month during each year of participation in the program
- Attend mentor/mentee group events, mentor support groups, and program recognition events

Participation Requirements

- Peer Mentors (youth) must be at least 16 years old or a sophomore in high school. Adult Mentors must be 18 years old.
- Reside in Stanislaus County area (Youth Only)
- Be interested in working with young people
- Be willing to adhere to all program policies and procedures
- Be willing to complete the application and screening process
- Be dependable and consistent in meeting the time commitments
- Attend mentor training sessions as prescribed
- Be willing to communicate regularly with program staff, teachers, submit activity information, and take constructive feedback regarding mentoring activities
- Have an acceptable criminal history (if applicable)
- Not use illicit drugs, tobacco products, alcohol, or controlled substances
- Not be currently in treatment for substance abuse and have a non-addictive period of at least five years
- Not be currently in treatment for a mental disorder or hospitalized for such in the past three years

Desirable Qualities

- Willing listener
- Encouraging and supportive
- Patient and flexible
- Aware and respectful of individual differences
- Creative
- Punctual
- Compassionate

Benefits

- Personal fulfillment through contribution to community and individual
- Satisfaction in helping someone mature, progress, and achieve goals
- Training sessions and group activities
- Participation in a mentor support group
- Mileage and expenses are tax deductible
- Opportunity to earn community service hours for graduation requirements (Youth Only)
- Opportunity to earn scholarships (Youth Only)
- Personal ongoing support, supervision to help the match succeed
- Mentee/mentor group activities, complimentary tickets to community events, participant recognition events

Application and Screening Process

- Complete and submit either the Adult Volunteer Mentor Application or the Peer Mentor Application
- Driving record check, if applicable
- Criminal history check: state, child abuse and neglect registry, sexual offender registry, if applicable
- Personal interview
- Provide three personal references
- Attend ten-hour mentor training and monthly follow-up training

For more information about either the Project Uplift Adult Mentoring Program or the UPLIFT 2 Success Peer Mentoring Programs, please call (209) 576-4408 or e-mail erwin.j@monet.k12.ca.us

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