How Do I Begin?

- Contact the school district to express your interest.
- Complete required background check.
- Attend required training session.
- Attend MENTOR support meetings.

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Join Those Who…

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Qualities That Make A Good Mentor

- **Supportive**
  Mentors support & encourage young people as they struggle to overcome obstacles & solve problems.

- **Active Listener**
  Mentors listen first and speak last. They always listen.

- **Push…Just Enough**
  Youth really like to have high expectations set for them – both academically & personally.

- **Have Authentic Interest in Youth as Individuals**
  Value young people’s ideas & honor their changing feelings & moods.

- **Foster Self Decision-Making**
  Do not judge or impose your own beliefs, but remind youth who they are and help them believe they have the insights to make good choices.

- **Lend Perspective**
  Provide perspective from your life experiences. Help youth to see both sides of a situation and put challenges into perspective.

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**How Can I Make A Difference?**

Turn Your Thought Into An Action and Become a Mentor!

“We make a living by what we get, we make a life by what we give.”

—Winston Churchill

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