



YouthFriends®

Mentors Make Great People Possible



Discover. Inspire. Mentor.

Mentor kids in schools. One hour a week is all it takes to make a difference in the life of a young person. Studies show the presence of a positive adult role model in a young person's life builds confidence, encourages kids to set and achieve goals and helps young people succeed.

Become a YouthFriends volunteer today.

Mentor a student (K-12) at a school near your home or work. Share breakfast or lunch, read books, share interests, tutor, provide career insight—just be a friend.

E-mentor a student by exchanging e-mails once a week. Discuss academic goals, careers and common interests—just be a friend.

Become a classroom speaker. Through the classroom speakers bureau, volunteers introduce students to various fields of work and bring real-world relevance to subjects being taught in classrooms (minimum of four presentations per year).

Getting started is easy as 1-2-3...

1. Download and complete a YouthFriends application (available at youthfriends.org).
2. Pick a location and type of mentoring that works best for you.
3. Complete a background screening and attend a two-hour training session (one hour for classroom speakers). On-site training is available for groups.

Thousands of volunteers are needed. It is estimated that in Greater Kansas City, more than 40,000 youth need or want a mentor but do not have access to one. To get involved or learn more, visit youthfriends.org or call 816.842.7082.