Our Mission

The mission of Hodgenville Elementary School's Mentor Program is to provide mentors to all children who need additional loving adult role models — special friends who can help expand their horizons, realize their potential and enrich their futures — changing their lives.

What do you do with your Mentee?

1. Let them talk and you listen
2. Play games
3. Help with school work
4. Praise your mentee
5. Build a life-long friendship by doing whatever......
6. Spend time playing ball in the gym
7. Read books
8. Talk to them about the importance of a good attitude

Three Reasons Why Mentoring is Needed

1. Some features of contemporary society limit young people's access to adults:
   - the growing isolation of many youth in poor communities
   - high divorce rates; 13 families per thousand in the U.S. are divorced
   - Single parenting; 13.7 million single parents are raising 21.8 million children in the U.S.

2. Youth who experience unsatisfactory or rejecting parental relationships may develop fears and doubts about whether others will accept and support them... fears and doubts that a successful mentoring experience might dispel.

3. Even youth with strong positive parental relationships experience the typical "stress and storm" of adolescence and may potentially benefit from the support of another caring, concerned adult.
Mentors’ Memorable Experiences:

“Building friendships and possibly getting to stay a Mentor with the same child until he or she graduates.”

“Helping the students reach a reading or math goal and seeing the student develop a better attitude.”

“Eating lunch with mentee and meeting their friends.”

“To see the mentee smile when he or she saw me coming.”

“Knowing that I was helping to fill a void in a child’s life.”

Want to be a Mentor and make a difference in a child’s life? Contact Hodgenville Elementary School as soon as possible!

10 Ways to be a Good Mentor:

- Be Credible
- Be a positive role model
- Be genuinely interested in your mentee as an individual
- Share your experiences and insights
- Ask open questions
- Act as a sounding board
- Provide a fresh perspective
- Provide helpful feedback
- Acknowledge achievements
- Offer your advice if your mentee asks for it

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