

BE THE ONE MENTORING @ LMS

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MENTORING BY THE NUMBERS @ LMS

28 active matches
at the middle school.

6 new matches
were made in October.

10 wait-listed students
are waiting for a mentor.

6 potential students
are interested or have been referred to the program.

115 total mentoring hours
this school year.



STORIES TO SHARE

Making an Instant Impact

A mentor and student met each other for the very first time. The pair instantly connected quite well over sports, hobbies, and other life connections. The mentor noticed the student wearing a football jersey and asked about being on the LMS football team. The student was thrilled to talk all about football, and then he invited the mentor to come watch his game that evening. The mentor asked if it was okay for him to attend and I said, "of course." The mentor attended the game and had a great time, and he made an instant connection with his new mentee. The student told me all about it the next day. Small acts of kindness go a long way.

Meaningful Adjustments

On one particular day, a student was not able to see his mentor. The mentor was facing some traveling difficulties and could not make the appointment with his student. Another mentor (who happened to have two students) invited the mentee along with them to play some basketball. The student was thrilled and the four had a great time playing 2-on-2 basketball. I really appreciate how this mentor adjusted his plans to include another and it created a memorable moment for the four.



Pumpkins & Scavenger Hunts

To keep things exciting, we occasionally try and provide activities for mentors and students to do together. This month, the Green Barn donated pumpkins for our mentoring program and the mentoring pairs had a good time decorating them together. We also had a photo scavenger hunt for students and mentors to look for throughout the school property. This brought a lot of excitement to the pairs and some even found every photo. What will we do next month?



Program Update

Recruiting and Training New

Mentors: We had two new mentor orientations this month with 8 new mentors from a variety of schools. We are always looking for more mentors to match with students on our wait lists.

Matching New Pairs: As we get new mentors, we are almost immediately matching them with students on our waitlist. The high school program is practically at capacity, so I am excited to grow the program at the middle school even more this year. We could potentially have 50 matches this year if this pace continues.

Youth Mental Health First Aid:

At the end of the month, we had a Youth Mental Health First Aid class with 8 mentors attending. By having only mentors in the class, we were able to address more specific issues related to the mentoring relationship.

Monthly Activities: I am trying to do a variety of activities for mentoring pairs this year. More activities together will help build interest and connection.

Invite your Friends – We Need More Mentors

To keep up with the needs of the program, we need many more volunteers to sign up and get trained to be mentors. The need for connection has not been greater in our young people. I no longer recruit students for the program because they are coming to me asking for a mentor.

