



Introducing Boys to Men and Girls to Women Group Mentoring
READY TO BE A MENTOR?

Join us for the FREE Mentor Orientation

July 16 6:30pm - 8:00 pm
Foundations Meadows Park
210 N. Campbell Avenue, Valparaiso, IN

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Or call: (219) 241-9269

For Women to Register Contact victoria@ourgreatergood.com
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MENTORING PROGRAM OVERVIEW

- Boys to Men Mentoring USA is a proven, established, international, group-based, in-school mentoring programs which have been proven to transform communities and are currently taking place in 21 U.S. States and 5 International Countries.
- Girls to Women Porter County is a newly established, group-based, in-school mentoring program focused in Porter County, Indiana.
- Both Mentor Programs are staffed by volunteers ages 21 and up.

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION STRONG SUPPORT & INVOLVEMENT:

- Superintendents, Principals, Teachers and Counselors are very enthusiastic and appreciative that these in-school mentoring programs are being offered in the local middle schools for our students.



- Potential at-risk student candidates are selected by the middle school principals and counselors, and the students' parents' and/or guardians complete applications and waivers to allow the students to participate.
- Student grades, attendance and discipline referrals are tracked to assist the students in achieving and reaching their goals, and for national reporting and metrics.

JULY 16 ORIENTATION DETAILS:

- Please bring along to the July 16 orientation a photograph of yourself taken during your early teenage years and let us know before July 16 your go to song during your teen years.
- At the Orientation, the mentoring programs will be described and explained in detail, attendees will interact with each other, and each attendee will re-visit their teenage years in order to best recall and understand the difficult challenges our teens are facing in our community today.
- Following orientation, attendees can then make an informed decision if they believe that this mentoring provides the right opportunity for them to give back to our at-risk teens in the local middle schools.
- Additional mentor training is provided FREE OF CHARGE to all volunteers.

EMPLOYER BUY-IN AND PAID "VOLUNTEER" OPPORTUNITIES:

- At your request, in order to facilitate your opportunity to volunteer, our BTM and GTW Program Directors will meet with your employer and request that your employer allow you to



“volunteer” and be paid by your employer for your time volunteering during work hours. Employers will be eligible for an “in-kind donation” if they choose to allocate the cost of your wages as a charitable donation.

TIME AND COMMITMENT REQUESTED:

Mentors are asked to make a one-year commitment to spend up to 6 hrs per month attending one 75-minute **GROUP MENTORING MEETING PER WEEK**

Mentors will be grouped into teams of 4-5 by mid-August 2018, and will stay together at the same school with the same students meeting the same day of the week, at the same time of day every week that classes are in session, throughout the full school year._

Experienced “Lead Mentors” facilitate the Groups, and volunteer mentors are there to actively participate, engage, support and encourage the students.

A very detailed curriculum is utilized with weekly topics covering the entire school year to make the weekly sessions organized and effective.

Mentors must complete applications, provide references, and agree to a criminal background check in order to be screened and qualified as mentors.

Semi-Annual Adventure Weekends and Rites of Passage events will be offered to allow the students to bond with each other and to allow the mentors to example for the students and to further encourage and assist in their growth.

AUGUST 2018 KICK-OFF:

Our First Inaugural mentoring groups begin in late August 2018 when school resumes and will take place at Fegely and Willowcreek Middle Schools in Portage and at Ben Franklin and Thomas Jefferson Middle Schools in Valparaiso.



PLEASE TAKE THAT NEXT STEP - JOIN US AND BRING A
FRIEND TO LEARN MORE ABOUT HELPING CHILDREN RIGHT
HERE IN YOUR COMMUNITY

Volunteer Mentor Registration
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