



The Leadership Initiative

(An Illinois 501(c)(3) - Not-for-Profit Corporation)

Western Suburb Mentoring – 2019 Overview & Orientation

When: Saturdays - 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon

Where: Naperville North High School *or* Alive - Naperville Teen Center

Program Overview

Who are we, and what are we to your Son and/or Daughter?

- We are a Resourceful **Team** of Professional Men & Women standing shoulder to shoulder directing our time, talent, and passion toward preparing your Son and/or Daughter for Life's Opportunities and its Challenges...
- We address "**Why?**" our young persons need to be educated, and to excel academically
- We collectively serve as a "**Source of Positivity & Encouragement**"

Our Objective / Purpose:

- To support your Son and/or Daughter as they aspire to become educated, productive, and positive influences at Home, School, and within their Community
- Assist parents with the transition of their Son/Daughter from Adolescence to Adulthood

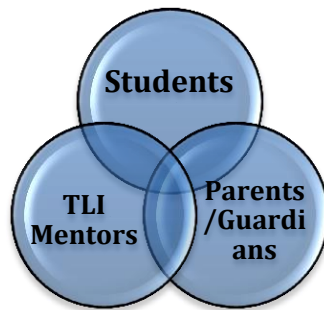
We Accomplish our Goals/Objectives with a "Consistency of Presence"

- **Mentors:** Pledge to be present at all sessions, prepared to work with and deliver educational content to Mentees. Prepare and deliver, via email, a weekly post-session summary, to Parents, Mentors, and Student Ambassadors.
- **Students:** Pledge to be in Attendance & Active Participants; arrive to each session with notepad and pen, complete all assignments; dress appropriately; demonstrate respect for fellow Mentees, Mentors/Presenters, and the Program's Culture.
- **Parents:** Pledge to support the Mentoring Program by ensuring their child is present at all sessions; ensure assigned tasks are completed and submitted; communicate issues, concerns, and absences. Provide a copy of their child's most recent report card.

Our Mentoring Program focuses on three (3) key developmental areas:

1. **Defining Who You Are:** Where Mentees identify and endeavor to *Enhance, Construct, or Reconstruct* their Personal Brand; where Mentors assist Mentees with developing healthy self-esteem, a high degree of confidence, strong presentation skills, and a competitive temperament
2. **Education:** Where Mentors place extreme emphasis on the value of a *Quality Education* and its *Key to Successful Academic & Professional outcomes*
3. **Establishing SMART Goals:** Where Mentees are assisted with developing *Action Plans* to achieve desired Personal, Academic, and Professional outcomes

**Achieving Program Goals & Objectives is predicated on
A Collaborative Effort within our “Village Community”
(I.e., Students, Mentors, Parents/Guardians)**



Education Matters... Education Matters... Education Matters!!!

(It stems the tide of poverty, crime, un/underemployment! It enables one to Compete!)

Remember... Our Greatest Natural Resource is our Youth (I.e., your Son/Daughter)

“If not us, then who will best prepare our children for today’s and tomorrow’s opportunities and its challenges?”

Questions pertaining to the content of this overview may be forwarded to my attention.

Best regards,

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“Engaging and inspiring young persons to develop a success mentality, and live a life they did not know was possible”

“Serve humanity by creating a ripple effect of positive Youth Leadership”

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