



## The Mission of REACH Georgia

REACH Georgia's mission is to ensure that Georgia's low-income, academically promising students have the academic, social and financial support needed to graduate from high school, access college and achieve postsecondary success.

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## Mentor Roles

- ▶ Teacher/trainer
- ▶ Positive role model
- ▶ Social supporter/guide
- ▶ Resource supporter/advocate
- ▶ Challenger

## Responsibilities

- ▶ Make a commitment to mentor a REACH Hart Scholar
- ▶ Serve as an advocate, coach and listener to a mentee on personal, school, career and other issues
- ▶ Meet with mentee for a minimum of 30 min. per one-on-one session
- ▶ Participate in training
- ▶ Participate in special group events and activities

## Why do we need mentors?

- ▶ Mentoring is required by the REACH foundation for each student.
- ▶ Students need support setting and achieving goals.
- ▶ Mentoring ensures students are supported by not just the school but also community members.

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## Qualifications

- ▶ A sincere desire to be involved with a young person
- ▶ Warmth, openness, patience and empathy
- ▶ Willingness to listen
- ▶ Trustworthiness and discretion
- ▶ Ability to see solutions and opportunities

- ▶ Flexibility and ability to travel to and from the site of activities

- ▶ Pass the required background check

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## How can someone become a mentor?

- ▶ Contact Bobbie Busha at 404-660-7976 or bobbie.busha@hart.k12.ga.us
- ▶ Complete a background check paid for by the REACH Hart Foundation
- ▶ Complete training modules associated with being a mentor

## What activities can be done with students?

- ▶ Meeting with students consistently is ideal. Discussion can center around school, common interests, family and more.
- ▶ Interest inventories will be completed by students and mentors to provide ideas to help foster discussions.
- ▶ Activities will be planned often that will support mentors and mentees.

## When do mentors meet with scholars?

- ▶ Mentors can meet with students during the school day, after or before school, weekends, or whenever fits the mentor's and mentee's schedules.
- ▶ A consistent time and day are ideal but not required.

## How often should mentors meet with scholars?

- ▶ Mentors must meet with their mentee a minimum of 8 times a semester.
- ▶ Meetings can be face to face via phone calls, text, video, etc.
- ▶ Group meeting activities will be created to provide support for all mentors/mentees.

## Why does REACH Hart need financial support?



### Mentoring

- ▶ To offset costs associated with being a mentor such as funding background checks, travel, mentor activities and resources.



### Academic

- ▶ Career exploration and guidance
- ▶ Educational field trips
- ▶ Soft skills training
- ▶ Goal setting



### Fund Scholarships

- ▶ REACH Hart must raise \$12,500 annually to fund 5 new Reach Scholars each year.
- ▶ Each \$2,500 raised provides one \$10,000 scholarship.
- ▶ Donations to REACH Hart are 100% tax deductible as we are a 501(c)(3) organization.