

Friends Mentoring Program



We're Back!

Friends Mentoring is back and in full swing. We have a mixture of people in the community, staff from central office, and a couple of high school students serving in our schools. Both traditional mentors and REACHGa mentors have been meeting with students again. REACHGa students are apart of a scholarship program that requires them to have both an academic mentor and a mentor that is specific to their field of interest. Traditional mentors are building relationships and getting to know their mentees by meeting with them each week. For more information on becoming a mentor, email Cora Davis, davis.cora@fcboe.org.



Partnering with MENTOR Georgia



MENTOR Georgia is a part of a national network that's mission is to connect mentor programs with people in the community who have a passion for mentoring. They offer training, resources, and connections to other mentor programs. Leslie Hale, the Executive Director of MENTOR Georgia, and I met via Zoom to heart-storm ways that we can work together to grow the Friends Mentoring Program.





Mentoring Comes in all Shapes and Sizes

At Bennett's Mill, the RISE program, a group based mentorship program for 7th and 8th grade students that focuses on team building, conflict resolution, leadership and service, participated in their first service project of the year. They made posters and goodie bags to thank Fayette County bus drivers for all that they do.

In the photo below, students at North Fayette Elementary school, had their first KINGS (Keep Inspiring Next Generations) meeting. Jay Jones, KINGS program leader and founder, was able to come in person and host the meeting outdoors after meeting virtually all of last year. The KINGS program weekly sessions will develop and expose the participants to soft skills training, imagination development, role playing and historical and contemporary examples of positive and esteem building experiences and exercises.



Oak Grove Elementary just rebooted their Homework House program after a year off due to COVID. They focus on 3rd grade students and pair them with a mentor in the community. The student chooses a book that they're interested in and the student and mentor read the book together. In the photos below, the mentors and mentees were playing a game of get to know you Bingo to kick off the season. The Homework House is open Tuesday and Thursday from 7:15am-7:40am. Email Kayla Johnson, johnson.kayla@fcboe.org, if you're interested in being a part of the program.



“Everybody can be great...because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love.”

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

Happy Holidays to everyone!