MONTHLY



UPDATE

A Note from Our Team

This month we wanted to take this opportunity to express our immense gratitude for everyone involved in the Intentional Mentoring program! Without our mentees, mentors, coaches, and a supportive community, we wouldn't be able to learn from one another as we have been able to over the years. Students are at the heart and soul of what we do, and we all know that it takes a village to make things happen. Therefore, we wanted to say a big THANK YOU to everyone who has volunteered their time to build relationships with our students, particularly during this year because, as we all know, our lives have been disrupted more than ever. With everything going on in our country and in the world, students truly benefit from that mentoring relationship, having someone whom they can walk with, someone who will be there for them and encourage them through this challenging, uncertain year. Not only that, but we all benefit and grow as we learn from one another.



Huge shout-out to ALL OF THE STUDENTS who are almost through first quarter with virtual schooling!

An Attitude of Gratitude

In the spirit of appreciation, we wanted to say THANK YOU to everyone who is involved with Intentional Mentoring and to share some shoutouts to and from people who are a part of our program.

We are thankful for our mentees who have stepped outside of their comfort zones and become a part of Intentional Mentoring! We are grateful and have learned so much from you!

"[My mentee] gives me so many gifts. Her real, authentic presence and hilarious sense of humor, positive and caring energy and incredible intelligence and wit are constantly making me smile and impressed." --Megan, Mentor

"I'm thankful for the person I mentor because he directly and indirectly challenges me to be a better version of myself. To be positive and see not just what might be wrong but also what might be possible." --Wayne, Mentor "My mentee faced significant challenges in the past year, yet her positivity always shines through. She was very much looking forward to running cross country during her freshman year of high school; she trains year-round. That dream didn't happen, yet she remains sunny and upbeat... My mentee is an inspiration to me, to take setbacks in stride and view disappointments through a positive lens. She's an extraordinary young woman." -- Meg, Mentor

"Thank you, mentees, for always challenging my perspective." --Katie, Intentional Mentoring Founder

We are thankful for our mentors who have volunteered their time to be supportive role models for our students! The work you do matters and truly makes a difference in students' lives!

"I'm so happy that this lady is keeping my baby happy and smiling through this COVID period." --Parent of Mentee



Food for Thought

On average, students WHO HAVE MENTORS are less likely to report symptoms of depression than their peers.







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"I tried Starbucks for the first time and I tried Chick-fil-A for the first time. I went to this book place with her that I never seen before and there's so much more that we explored and I wanna continue exploring with her."

--Ja'Marrhea, Mentee

"I have someone to talk to and spend time with when I don't have anyone else and to help me with school and ask about my day." --Isabella, Mentee

"[I like] having someone besides family and friends as a support system or to vent to." --Amoni, Mentee

"I think we're finding pretty amazing people to be mentors, so we're doing something right there. It definitely is exciting getting to meet with them on a regular basis and hearing how their life is being impacted and how they're looking to impact in their mentee's life." ---Ryan, Mentor Coach

"He is a good mentor -- he gives me advice, or when I need his help, or when I need someone to calm me down. It is fun because we get to go places. We went to Dave and Busters.... It was my first time." --Jonathan, Mentee

"During my time with Intentional Mentoring, I have seen and heard many stories about thriving mentoring relationships, relationships that are not only benefiting the mentee but the mentors as well. I attribute this entirely to our mentors and coaches who continue to invest their time and energy for the good of the program and our community. I am beyond grateful for all of their efforts!" --Dana, Lead Mentor Coach

We are thankful for our community. Our strong connections with schools allow us to better support students, and we're also grateful for our team here at Intentional Mentoring for continuing to be creative and work for our important mission.

"It's a really great opportunity for our students to have the mentor, teachers and family all connected with a common goal. I like that it's not just focused on academics. Mentors are easy to communicate with so if you're struggling with a student at all, and they have a mentor, it's another person to connect with." --Marguerite, Classroom Teacher

"Since COVID has started happening, IM dropped off activities for us to do and little challenges for us to do, and I really like that. It's a good thing to keep my mind and other people's minds off everything right now." --Shari, Mentee

"I'm thankful for a recent conversation with a mentee's parent and her collaboration and support." --Katie, Intentional Mentoring Founder

Thank you, everyone! We look forward to continuing to work and grow together with you!

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Upcoming Events





Contact Us

Interested in getting involved with Intentional Mentoring but not sure you have the skill set or the available time for coaching/mentorship? We still value your contributions! Consider monthly community outreach or helping to organize one of our events. Have questions about what help Intentional Mentoring could use or other ideas for ways you think you could help? Email us at katiemae@intentionalmentoringmadison.org.

Our Mission Statement

With guidance from coaches, mentors interact with school staff, community members, and families in order to strengthen the support network for students facing adversity.





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Funds will support...

STUDENT GOALS

Mentors work with mentees to reach academic and personal goals. Help us to maintain our 15 pairings and add 5 new ones in the next few months!

RELATIONSHIP-BUILDING

Sponsor activities and materials as we find creative ways to help mentors and mentees connect throughout these chilly months during the pandemic.

ADMINISTRATIVE NEEDS

Our administration provides the platform and resources needed to empower our mentors and students as they continue learning from one another.

Thank you!