

# Mentoring Program



New Dimensions  
High School  
2016-2017

# NDHS Mentor Program Mission Statement

The mission of New Dimensions High School's Mentor Program is to create and support one-to-one mentoring relationships between positive adult role models and youth facing challenges in their personal, social, or academic lives.



# Goals



1. Improve academic performance
2. Improve feelings of scholastic competence and confidence
3. Improve relations with peers, teachers, and other school personnel
4. Increase attendance and class participation
5. Improve homework effort, quality, & completion
6. Reduce classroom disruptions, bullying, and other negative school behavior
7. Increase exploration of, or acceptance to, post secondary education opportunities
8. Improve job placement or career exploration and skills
9. Improve social, self-esteem, & emotional needs which includes acceptance of uniqueness and the ability to express individuality in an acceptable manner

# Mentoring Team

- Alumni
- Valencia College Ambassadors
- Board of Directors members
- Poinciana Area Council
- Local Politicians
- Veterans Groups
- Rotary Clubs
- Teachers
- Local Business People
- Law Enforcement



# Process for Mentees

- 9<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grades for the 2016-2017 year
- Complete Mentor Application & Parent Consent Form
- Committee will review student application
- Committee will match Mentee to Mentor
- Important meeting  
September 6, 2016  
6:00pm in Auditorium



# Process for Mentors

- Complete NDHS Volunteer Application
- Schedule Volunteer Interview
- Complete O.A.S.I.S. application for background check
- Agree to volunteer for a minimum of one school year (August-May) with hopes of a continued relationship
- Agree to Ground Rules for Mentors

# Meeting Requirements

- Must meet 4 times a month
  - #1 meeting – In person
    - May ONLY meet during school hours (except with prior written permission from parent)
  - #2, #3 & #4 meetings
    - In Person (during school hours or with parent permission)
    - Face Time/Skype/Hangout
    - Text messaging
    - Email
    - Phone conversation





# Volunteer Ground Rules

- Communicate with Mentee at least one hour per week
- Keep all contact restricted to school grounds (except with prior written parent permission)
- Keep one-on-one relationship confidential
- Maintain regular contact with Mentoring Coordinator
- Notify Mentoring Coordinator of any contact changes
- Participate in program evaluation
- Keep log of meetings





# What is in it for ME?

- Better understanding of the younger generation
- Lessons you teach and learn are good reminders of how you should be – self-reflection
- Helps you step back to gain a new or fresh perspective
- Students can teach you something and you can learn new things
- Satisfaction of contributing to a young person's growth and life
- No special skills required!



# Questions?

