

*Enable students to think through their actions and identify the consequences of their actions and the impact on others. Assist to identify strategies students can put in place to help them resolve issues.

*Provide a listening ear.

*Encourage students to value themselves and identify areas of interest they could become involved in, plan a future.

*Challenge existing assumptions and stereotypes. Mentors work alongside students to enable them to set their own goals.

All students receive Certificates at the end of term.

Our Referrals

Referrals were received from various sources, Students, Teachers, Education Welfare Officers, Parents, Connexions, Social Services, Multi Agency Assessment Group and School Child Protection, Carers In Bedford.

Who are our Mentors?

Our mentors are ordinary people, with an extraordinary capacity to provide support and encouragement to those who may need and benefit from it.

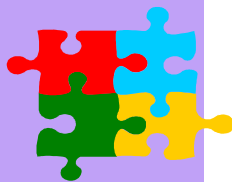
Our Funding

Funding is provided by Bedfordshire Race & Equalities Council, The Bedford Charity and the Home Office.

Training

If potential mentors have the commitment, we provide the training and necessary checks to ensure that the service is providing the best possible support to them and the students.

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Project Profile



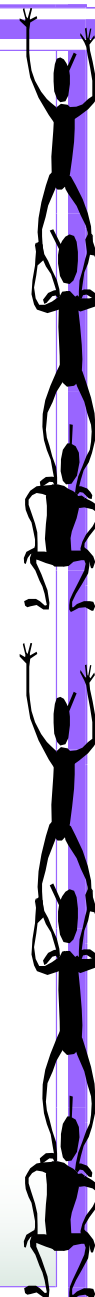
Student Mentoring Service

To Inspire, Guide & Achieve



Home Office

Supporting Young People
Through Education Since 2005



About The Service

Vision Statement

"To improve the lives of young people and enable them to become productive, responsible students by creating one-to-one mentoring relationships between at risk students and trained adult volunteers".

Who do we support?

The service provides mentoring support for students aged 13 to 18 years old .

Where do we provide support?

The service has been provided to, local Upper Schools and some Middle Schools and Education Centres.

What is Mentoring?

Mentoring is an educational process where the mentor serves as a role model and trusted supporter who provides opportunities for development to less experienced individuals in an educational setting.



Our Objectives?

Working to:-

- *Ensure less students are at risk of exclusion
- *Foster better engagement of students within the education process
- *Promote parental participation in the education process
- *Raise Staff awareness to the barriers which exist in preventing greater educational achievement
- *Foster links with other agencies who may provide additional support to students

Where do we do it?

Mentoring is provided in the student's school, on a one to one basis for one hour a week, for as long as the student benefits from it. There are 'Primary Contacts' in school that we liaise with to generate referrals and to monitor student's progress.

We are recognised as part of the extended schools services.

Students tend to value us as an independent resource.

How do we do it?

- *Identify each individual as having their own skills, abilities and potential.
- *Support and encourage them in an effort to promote greater inclusion in school
- *Empower each student to meet their goals towards increasing their educational Achievement.

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