Our Mission

It is the goal of the Young Scholars LPP Mentor Program to provide a one-on-one supportive relationship for students. Mentoring transcends gender, race, ethnicity, and age. It is a reciprocal relationship where both parties grow, boundaries are stretched, and there are new and exciting experiences.

Consider becoming a mentor of a Young Scholar and help them to Grow Big Dreams!

Mentors Are...

- Good listeners
- Good communicators
- Positive role models
- Committed to student success
- Nurturers of student dignity
- Responsible
- Non-judgmental

Mentors Are Not...

- A parent or guardian replacement
- To expect dramatic results in a short period of time
- To provide the solutions for all of the student’s problems
- To interfere with school policies or procedures
- To break the student’s trust unless faced with an abusive or life-threatening situation

How Can You Become A Mentor?

- Complete the application process so we can match you with a student
- Meet the parents at the mentee’s home
- Meet with your mentee at least 2-4 hours a month (required)
- Set realistic expectations and limits for your mentee
- Have fun while creating wonderful memories

(Remember that this is a 1 year minimum commitment to remain a mentor)
I decided to become a mentor because I wanted to give back and help make a difference in someone’s life. What I didn’t realize is how much Zin would change mine. What began as a mentor-mentee interaction, has become more of a genuine friendship.

— Jennifer Edick with mentee Zin

Activities

- Go to sporting events, movies, museums and restaurants
- Attend free events in our community
- Participate in YSLPP mentoring group activities
- Volunteer and participate in Community Service events

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Everyone wins when mentoring.

— Rick Short with mentee Somnang

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