



Community Mentor Program

The Community Mentor Program is an option for mentors who have been visiting their mentees at school consistently for three months or more, and who wish to do activities with their mentees outside the school setting. Becoming a Community Mentor is **completely optional**. Community activities could include concerts, museums, sporting events, service projects, or Clarke County Mentor Program events such as game nights and field trips to UGA.

Steps in becoming a Community Mentor:

1. Mentors who have completed 3 months of consistent in-school visiting will be notified of their eligibility to pursue the Community Mentor option.
2. Respond to the Mentor Program if you are interested.
3. The School Counselor will “sign-off” on your, and the mentee’s, suitability for the Community Mentor option*, then contact your mentee’s parent/guardian to see if the family is interested in having their child participate in outside-school activities.
4. If so, we will email you a Community Mentor application, with details about next steps.
5. You would be required to complete an additional background check (national, fingerprint-based) which would be conducted at the Clarke County School District (CCSD) Police Department, 145 Paradise Blvd. Athens, GA 30607.
6. Potential community mentors pay a portion of the \$41.00 screening costs. College student and retired/senior citizen mentors pay \$10 and all other mentors pay \$20.
7. We notify you, and the School Counselor, when a clear screen is received.

We appreciate your service as a mentor and will be very happy if you mentor consistently in the school setting.

*Community mentoring may not be appropriate for some mentees due to family or health issues.

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