



ALPINE SUMMIT PROGRAMS

MENTOR INFORMATION

WHAT DO MENTORS DO?

- Work with individual students who are in custody of the State of Utah, enrolled in any of Alpine School District's mainstream elementary or secondary schools.
- Meet weekly with each of these students, usually in the student's home, or at a designated location agreed upon by the parent, mentor, and student (i.e. public library, school, etc.) – NOTE: if meeting in the home, there must be another adult present.
 - On a case-by-case basis, mentors may meet with students more or less than this amount depending on the needs of the student. Typical meetings last an hour, but this too can be adjusted.
- Primarily work to ensure the academic success of the student. This includes setting and monitoring goals; checking up on grades, attendance, and behavior; tutoring; connecting students with resources available to them in their schools and communities; career and life skills; and college readiness.
- Build relationships with the students they meet with, play games, have fun, and support the student in extracurricular activities. They can work to improve behavioral concerns as well.
- When invited, attend team meetings, and act as an academic liaison between the team, family, and the school. Mentors have access into the schools and can meet with teachers, administrators, and counselors when needed. They have access to students' grades and attendance, etc. NOTE: mentors do not replace the parent/guardian role with the school and cannot attend parent/teacher conferences, SEOPs, disciplinary meetings, etc.
- Update and stay in contact with caseworkers and foster parents to keep open communication about the academic progress of the student.

WHAT DON'T MENTORS DO?

- Babysit any children.
- Give rides or transport children. Mentors are **not allowed** to take any child in their car, anywhere. They may meet students at other locations when agreed upon with the parent/guardian.
- Replace parents/guardians. Mentors are an academic support provided by the school district.
- Provide counseling or therapy.
- Meet alone with students. There must either be another adult present or it must be in a public place.
- Check students out of classes without prior teacher/parent permission.

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