



# RHODE ISLAND

Network Program List

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Denotes status in the National Quality Mentoring System (NQMS):

**Premiere (highest)=Yellow. Professional=Red; Affiliate=Turquoise; Novice=Green.**

**Statewide**

**Big Brothers, Big Sisters of the Ocean State**

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**Premier Program**

**Traditional Community Based Mentoring :**

Big Brothers and Big Sisters provide children ages 7 to 15 – our Littles - individualized time and attention on a regular basis, typically 2 – 4 times a month, for three to four hours. During this one on one interaction, the Littles build self- esteem, develop life- long skills and enhance their capacity to care for others.

**School & Site Based Mentoring**

Big Brothers and Big Sisters offer children individualized time and attention on a weekly basis at their school or other afterschool program. This program utilizes the resources available within the school/site: computer lab, library, gym, classroom, and/or schoolyard. During the summer, they match might exchange letters, emails or phone calls, and attend agency-sponsored events.

**Big Couples**

Big Couples – a new, innovative program which allows a married couple to share the mentoring responsibilities with a boy registered in the program.

**Statewide**

**Foster Forward, Real Connections**

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**Premier Program**

A community-based mentoring program serving Rhode Island youth 8-21 years old who are aging out or currently involved with DCYF programs. \*If coordinators have a DCYF involved youth and need assistance, contact Kate. Foster Forward is also open to providing training to mentors if they have a youth involved in DCYF care and need a deeper understanding of our Child Welfare system.

**Statewide**

**Let's Make This Work: a collaboration of MENTOR Rhode Island & The Institute for the Study & Practice of Non-Violence**

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**Novice Program**

The LMTW Mentor Program is a 3 phase, community based one-to-one mentoring program. Each 10-month class of program participants receive instruction in many aspects of workforce training and other skills and services that can help them improve their employability. They are paired with a volunteer Mentor from a local business who can help guide them through the self-improvement they need to become productive members of the workforce. Each mentee is also placed in an internship to gain real-world work experience.

**Statewide**

**RISE-Rhode Islanders Sponsoring Education**

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[www.riseonline.org](http://www.riseonline.org). **Premier Program**

RISE provides mentoring and scholarships to children whose families are challenged by parental incarceration. Males and female children, ages 7-15, are matched with same sex mentors. Mentors are at least 21 years old, commit to 6 hours a month for an initial commitment of one year.

<p><b>Statewide</b>  <b>The Met Center</b>  <i>Kim Reall, Program Coordinator</i>  (401) 752-2625  <a href="mailto:kreall@metmail.org">kreall@metmail.org</a>  325 Public Street, Providence, RI 02905  <b>Novice Program</b></p>	<p>The Metropolitan Regional Career &amp; Tech Center believes in the true meaning of Real World Learning by requiring all students to intern 2 full days a week at their mentor's work site. Not only do students work towards the skills to put them on the appropriate career pathway, but they also gain experience of seeing that job in action.</p>
<p><b>Bristol/Cranston/Providence</b>  <b>National Coalition 100 Black Women, LEAD Mentoring Program</b>  <i>Adrienne Newsome, Coordinator</i>  (401) 413-0007, <a href="mailto:Adrienne.newsome@yahoo.com">Adrienne.newsome@yahoo.com</a>  P.O. Box 27739, Providence, RI 02907  <b>Novice Program</b></p>	<p>LEAD is an after school group mentoring for African-American females in grades 6 through 12. Its purpose is to provide guidance &amp; instruction to adolescent girls to assist them socially, emotionally, intellectually and culturally, to become strong successful women. The goal is to develop and foster leadership capabilities in young black females by providing them with black female role models.</p>
<p><b>Burrillville</b>  <b>Callahan School Mentoring Program</b>  <i>David Brissette, Principal</i>  (401) 568-1330, <a href="mailto:brissetted@bsd-ri.net">brissetted@bsd-ri.net</a>  75 Callahan School Street, Harrisville, RI 02830  <b>Novice Program</b></p>	<p>Mentors meet once a week on school grounds during school hours.</p>
<p><b>Cranston Public Schools</b>  <b>Cranston Mentor Program</b>  <i>Celeste Comeau Mullane, Coordinator</i>  (401) 732-7700 x 102, <a href="mailto:cmullane@mentorri.org">cmullane@mentorri.org</a>  2065 Warwick Ave, Unit 1  Warwick, RI 02889  <b>Premier Program</b></p>	<p>School based mentoring program offered to students in grades 3-8. Mentoring is on school grounds both during and after school. Traditional 1:1 mentoring for one hour each week during the school year.</p>
<p><b>Central Falls Public Schools</b>  <b>Central Falls High School and Calcutt Middle School</b>  <i>Angelia Duran, Student Success Center Coordinator</i>  (401) 721-2823 ext. 4016, <a href="mailto:swintern4@cfschools.net">swintern4@cfschools.net</a>  <b>Novice Program</b></p>	<p>"The Central Falls High School and Calcutt Middle School Mentor Programs are school-based one-to-one mentoring programs. Mentoring is done on school grounds, during after school time for one hour each week. All mentors are required to complete an application and background check and attend an initial two-hour training workshop/orientation. You will have the opportunity to attend periodic support meetings with other mentors to share ideas and discuss issues. Our program coordinator will be there with you every step of the way. We ask for a commitment of one year, but hope that our mentors will continue with their mentees for several years."</p> <p>You can also visit our website for more information  <a href="https://studentsuccesscent0.wixsite.com/studentsuccesscenter">https://studentsuccesscent0.wixsite.com/studentsuccesscenter</a></p>
<p><b>East Greenwich Schools</b>  <b>East Greenwich Strategic Support Mentoring</b>  <i>Nina Mackta, Program Coordinator</i>  (401) 398-1634, <a href="mailto:nmackta@egsd.net">nmackta@egsd.net</a>  2 Chestnut Drive, East Greenwich, RI 02879  <b>Premier Program</b></p>	<p>In school mentoring program with 1:1 mentors and groups with psycho-educational focus. Academic groups, parent support and community involvement. In-class mentors who help teachers and "shadow" students.</p>

<p><b>East Greenwich Housing Authority</b>  <b>Family Self Sufficiency</b>  Kristin Maggiacomo, FSS Coordinator  401-885-2610 x.11, <a href="mailto:kmaggiacomo@eghousing.com">kmaggiacomo@eghousing.com</a>  146 First Ave, East Greenwich, RI 02818  <b>Novice Program</b></p>	<p>A five-year commitment of improving economic situation and becoming self-sufficient. Focus on job training for people in subsidized housing.</p>
<p><b>East Providence</b>  <b>East Bay RSVP Reads - Power Lunch Program</b>  Kim Wetherald, Manager  (401) 435-7876, <a href="mailto:kwetherald@ebcap.org">kwetherald@ebcap.org</a>  610 Waterman Avenue, East Providence, RI 02914  <b>Novice Program</b></p>	<p>Mentors are 55 or over who volunteer at schools, group homes, head starts programs, public libraries or YMCA's to give children individual attention.</p>
<p><b>Jamestown</b>  <b>Jamestown Mentor Program</b>  Courtney Hancur, Program Coordinator  (401) 423-7020,  <a href="mailto:hancur.courtney@jamestownschoools.org">hancur.courtney@jamestownschoools.org</a>  76 Melrose Avenue, Jamestown, RI 02835  <b>Novice Program</b></p>	<p>Elementary school based program at Melrose School.</p>
<p><b>Newport Public Schools/Middletown</b>  <b>Public Schools</b>  <b>Aquidneck Island Mentor Program</b>  <b>MENTOR Rhode Island</b>  Nichole Lewis, Coordinator  (401) 732-7700 x114, <a href="mailto:nlewis@mentorRI.org">nlewis@mentorRI.org</a>  2065 Warwick Ave, Unit 1, Warwick, RI 02889  <b>Premier Program</b></p>	<p>Mentors meet once a week on school grounds during school hours</p>
<p><b>Newport</b>  <b>Newport Boys &amp; Girls Club</b>  Lauren Day, Program Coordinator  Nichole Lewis, Program Coordinator  401-847-6927, <a href="mailto:lday@bgcnewport.org">lday@bgcnewport.org</a>;  <a href="mailto:nlewis@mentorry.org">nlewis@mentorry.org</a>  95 Church Street, Newport, RI 02840  <b>Novice Program</b></p>	<p>The Boys &amp; Girls Club provides a positive, safe and exciting environment for children to learn, grow and develop. We provide quality programs for children, teens, adults and families. Our three core areas of focus are: Health &amp; Wellness, Education &amp; Career Development and Character &amp; Leadership.</p>
<p><b>Newport, Fall River, New Bedford</b>  <b>Star Kids Scholarship Program</b>  Karen Flanagan, Program Coordinator  (401) 678-0710, <a href="mailto:kflanagan@starkidsprogram.org">kflanagan@starkidsprogram.org</a>  P.O. Box 6214, Middletown, RI 02842  <b>Novice Program</b></p>	<p>Star Kids Scholarship Program provides educational opportunities in the form of tuition aid to effective non-public schools, uniforms, after-school, and summer programs, tutoring and mentoring for those high-risk, low-income children who have a parent with a history of incarceration and/or substance abuse. Children are typically enrolled in the program between kindergarten and grade 4.</p> <p>Star Kids' goal for each child is to graduate from high school. By completing high school and hopefully going on to higher education, these children will have a greater chance of breaking the intergenerational cycle of poverty, drug use, disease, depression and violence. Star Kids serves children from the following communities: Newport County, Rhode Island, Fall River, Massachusetts, and New Bedford, Massachusetts.</p>

<p><b>North Providence</b>  <b>Birchwood Middle School, Birchwood Buddies”</b>  Maggie Teller, Program Coordinator  (401) 316-5119  <a href="mailto:mteller@childrensworkshop.com">mteller@childrensworkshop.com</a>  10 Birchwood Drive, North Providence, RI 02904  <b>Affiliate Program</b></p>	<p>One-to-One school based program happening during school hours (prep time).</p>
<p><b>North Kingstown</b>  <b>LINKS - North Kingstown Mentor Program</b>  Tara Chace, Program Coordinator  (401) 336-3125 <a href="mailto:tara_chace@nksd.net">tara_chace@nksd.net</a>  50 East Court, North Kingstown, RI 02852  <b>Novice Program</b></p>	<p>The NK Mentoring Program is a program of LINKS, a nonprofit organization that recruits, trains, places and supports volunteers in the North Kingstown public schools. Teachers refer students to the NK Mentoring Program with parent/guardian permission. Referrals are based on the premise that the student would benefit personally and academically from a one-to-one relationship with an adult mentor and that mentoring would enhance the student’s ability to thrive in school. A mentor is asked to commit to spending 40-60 minutes per week with a student for at least one school year. All meetings take place on school grounds during school hours.</p>
<p><b>Pawtucket</b>  <b>Pawtucket Mentor Program</b>  Darnell Albury, Coordinator  (401) 732-7700 x 109, <a href="mailto:dalbury@mentorri.org">dalbury@mentorri.org</a>  2065 Warwick Ave, Unit 1  Warwick, RI 02889  <b>Novice Program</b></p>	<p>One-to-One school-based mentoring program for students at the Agnes E. Little Elementary School in Pawtucket. Expanding to other schools in the district as mentors become available.</p>
<p><b>Pawtucket</b>  <b>RI Disability Mentoring</b>  Arthur Plitt, Coordinator  (401) 724-8915, <a href="mailto:kingarthurarthur@yahoo.com">kingarthurarthur@yahoo.com</a>  44 Cooke Street, Pawtucket, RI 02860  <b>Novice Program</b></p>	<p>The RI Disabilities Mentoring Partnership has a one on one mentoring program. Personal attention is our design</p>
<p><b>Pawtucket</b>  <b>Boys &amp; Girls Club of Pawtucket</b>  Kelsie Brouters, Volunteer Coordinator  401.722.8840,x 849 <a href="mailto:kbrouthers@bgcpawt.org">kbrouthers@bgcpawt.org</a>  One Moeller Place, Pawtucket, RI 02860  <a href="http://www.bgcpawt.org">www.bgcpawt.org</a>  <b>Premier Program</b></p>	<p>One-on-One After-School Mentoring Program  The Boys &amp; Girls Club of Pawtucket pairs youth ages 6-18 with a one-on-one mentor to meet on a weekly, biweekly, or monthly basis. We identify mentees who could most benefit from a consistent relationship with a positive adult mentor and work to find the best match between mentor and mentee. Participants in our Mentoring Program are able to utilize the resources located at our Elson Clubhouse including: the gym, playground, classrooms, art room, music room, etc. All mentoring sessions occur Monday – Friday during the after-school hours between 3:30 – 6:30 pm for pre-teens and 2:30 – 8:30 pm for teens. This program primarily runs during the school-year although based on the mentor and mentee we may make arrangements for meetings in the summer</p>
<p><b>Providence</b>  <b>Dorcas International Institute of RI -- Refugee and Unaccompanied Minor Mentoring Program</b>  Shanice Goncalves, Program Coordinator  (401) 784-8761, <a href="mailto:sgoncalves@diiri.org">sgoncalves@diiri.org</a>  645 Elmwood Avenue, Providence, RI 02907  <b>Novice Program</b></p>	<p>The DIIRI Mentoring Program helps to connect the refugees’ community with others within the RI community that they now call home.</p>

<p><b>Providence</b>  <b>Boys &amp; Girls Club of Providence</b>  Mary Morgan, Area Manager  (401)787-3702/444-0750 x106,  <a href="mailto:mmorgan@bgcprou.org">mmorgan@bgcprou.org</a>  90 Ives St., Providence, RI 02906  <b>Novice Program</b></p>	<p>“Reading Buddies” program. Grades 9 – 12. Mentors &amp; mentees use the “Kidzlit” literacy program to work on reading skills.</p>
<p><b>Providence</b>  <b>Federal Hill House, Foster Grandparent Prog</b>  Roshni Darnal, Coordinator  (401) 421-1095 <a href="mailto:rdarnal@federalhillhouse.org">rdarnal@federalhillhouse.org</a>  9 Courtland Street, Providence, RI 02909  <b>Novice Program</b></p>	<p>Adults 60 or over, foster grandparents, serve as nurturers and mentors to children/youth ages 0 – 21 in schools, childcare &amp; after school programs.</p>
<p><b>Providence</b>  <b>San Miguel School</b>  Tom Darnowski, Mentor Program Coordinator  <a href="mailto:tdarnowski@sanmiguelprov.org">tdarnowski@sanmiguelprov.org</a>  (401) 467-9777 x131  525 Branch Avenue, Providence, RI 02904  <b>Affiliate Program</b></p>	<p>San Miguel is an independent Lassalian middle school for urban boys from the Greater Providence area and is dedicated to the belief that education is the key to breaking the cycle of poverty. Mentors make a commitment to spend one hour each week at lunchtime with a San Miguel student offering guidance, support and attention by playing games, listening to what’s going on in their lives and spending quality time.</p>
<p><b>Providence</b>  <b>Sophia Academy</b>  Kerry Bergin, Program Coordinator  (401) 784-0021 x 116, <a href="mailto:kbergin@sophia-academy.org">kbergin@sophia-academy.org</a>  582 Elmwood Avenue, Providence, RI 02907  <b>Novice Program</b></p>	<p>We encourage female mentors, especially of Hispanic or African American descent, to mentor young girls in grades 5-8.</p>
<p><b>Providence</b>  <b>Inspiring Minds of RI (formerly Volunteers in Providence Schools)</b>  Melissa Emidy, Program Coordinator  (401) 274-3240, <a href="mailto:memidy@inspiringmindsri.org">memidy@inspiringmindsri.org</a>  763 Westminster Street, Providence, RI 02903  <b>Novice Program</b></p>	<p>Inspiring Minds empowers students to succeed by providing tutoring for Providence students from Pre-K through High School. Community members are trained as tutors to meet with struggling students at least once per week during the school day on school grounds. Several high school after-school programs are also offered.</p>
<p><b>Providence</b>  <b>New Urban Arts</b>  Emily Ustach, Director of Programs  (401) 751-4556, <a href="mailto:emily@newurbanarts.org">emily@newurbanarts.org</a>  705 Westminster Street, Providence, RI 02903  <b>Novice Program</b></p>	<p>14 – 18 years old. Empowers young people to develop a creative practice they can sustain throughout their lives. Provide exhibition space, studio and mentoring for young artists who explore the visual, performing &amp; literary arts.</p>
<p><b>Providence, Pawtucket, East Greenwich</b>  <b>ACE Mentor Program of Rhode Island</b>  Lance Aleksiewicz, Director  (401) 996-7159 <a href="mailto:lancea@odehngineers.com">lancea@odehngineers.com</a>  1223 Mineral Spring Avenue, North Providence, RI 02904  <b>Novice Program</b></p>	<p>ACE is a perfect match for any student looking for a mentoring opportunity in a STEM or STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, (Arts), and Mathematics) related field.</p> <p>ACE (Architecture, Construction and Engineering) helps high school students discover how to translate their interests and abilities into exciting, rewarding careers. Professionals drawn from leading area firms mentor teams of students, explaining the inner workings of their jobs, leading tours of major construction sites &amp; challenging the teams with hands-on projects.</p>

<p><b><u>South Kingstown</u></b>  <b>South Kingstown</b>  <b>CARES (Connecting All Resources for Educational Support)</b>  <i>Deb Zepp, Program Coordinator</i>  Phone: 401-360-1304,  <a href="mailto:cares@sksd-ri.net">cares@sksd-ri.net</a>  <a href="http://www.skcares.org">www.skcares.org</a>  Peace Dale Elementary School  Office hours M-F 9:00-3:00  SK Mentoring ~ Classroom Volunteering ~ Homework Clubs ~ Career &amp; College Center  <b>Novice Program</b></p>	<p><b>School site mentoring program</b>  SK CARES Mentor program services K-12 students in the South Kingstown School district. Middle and High School mentor/mentee meetings are held for one hour at approximately 2 pm after school. Elementary School times may vary during the day and may be shorter depending upon the age of students. There are two CARES trainings and an updated annual BCI is essential. Sign up at SKCARES.org or contact us for more information.</p>
<p><b><u>Warwick</u></b>  <b>Warwick Mentor Program/Warwick Public Schools, MENTOR Rhode Island</b>  <i>Pamela Sherman Program Coordinator</i>  (401) 732-7700 x117, <a href="mailto:psherman@mentorRI.org">psherman@mentorRI.org</a>  2065 Warwick Ave, Unit 1, Warwick, RI 02889  <b>Premier Program</b></p>	<p>Mentors meet weekly with students on school grounds during school hours.</p>
<p><b><u>West Warwick</u></b>  <b>West Warwick Public Schools Mentor Program</b>  <i>Dana Papitto, Program Coordinator</i>  (401) 825-6530, <a href="mailto:dpapitto@ww-ps.com">dpapitto@ww-ps.com</a>  10 Harris Avenue, West Warwick, RI 02893 <b>Premier Program</b></p>	<p>School based mentoring program offered to students in grades K-12. Mentoring is conducted on school grounds, during the school day. Traditional one to one mentoring for one hour each week during the school year.</p>
<p><b><u>Westerly</u></b>  <b>Westerly Public Schools</b>  <i>Steve Iacoi, Program Coordinator</i>  (401) 255-9738, <a href="mailto:siacoi@westerly.k12.ri.us">siacoi@westerly.k12.ri.us</a>  23 Ward Avenue, Westerly, RI 02891  <b>Novice Program</b></p>	<p>School based program. On school grounds, during school hours, one hour a week. Mentors mentor children in grades 4-12.</p>
<p><b><u>Woonsocket</u></b>  <b>Woonsocket Schools, MENTOR Rhode Island</b>  <i>Pamela Sherman, Coordinator</i>  (401) 732-7700 x117, <a href="mailto:psherman@mentorri.org">psherman@mentorri.org</a>  2065 Warwick Ave, Unit 1, Warwick, RI 02889  <b>Premier Program</b></p>	<p>School based mentoring program offered to students in grades K-12. Mentoring is conducted on school grounds, during the school day. Traditional one to one mentoring for one hour each week during the school year.</p>
<p><b><u>Woonsocket, N. Smithfield, Cumberland, North Providence, Burrillville</u></b>  <b>Riverzedge Arts</b>  <i>Karen Barbosa, Youth Development &amp; ELO Director</i>  (401) 767-2100, <a href="mailto:karen@riverzedgearts.org">karen@riverzedgearts.org</a>  196 Second Avenue, Woonsocket, RI 02895  <b>Premier Program</b></p>	<p>Riverzedge Arts is a youth development program giving educationally &amp; economically disenfranchised youth (ages 12-24) in Northern RI paid employment in the arts &amp; a voice in the community. Youth who attend the program must maintain a C average, complete High School/GED and/or apply for college. In order to support the participants in meeting this requirement, mentors would work with youth, on-site at Riverzedge, to tutor them in academic subjects, anytime between 3:30 – 6pm.</p>