

Fact Sheet

Our Vision

To make a positive, measurable difference in the lives of underrepresented students in the Chesterfield County Public School System.

Our Mission Statement

To teach life skills, provide meaningful learning experiences and build leadership skills in African-American and other underrepresented Chesterfield County Public School students through mentoring, tutoring, experiential field trips and recognition.

Our Goals

- Provide group and/or one-on-one mentoring
- Provide structured classroom and one-on-one tutoring services
- Increase awareness of higher education and career opportunities for students and parents
- Teach the values of **RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY, EFFORT and ACHIEVEMENT** to:
 - Instill hope, goal orientation, self-confidence and leadership skills
 - Increase personal and scholastic achievement
 - Decrease disciplinary incidents
 - Improve the graduation rate
 - Engage parents to meet program goals

Our Organization Focus and Programs

MEGA Mentors is a volunteer organization comprised of over **100** volunteers who support over **600** students in **ten** Chesterfield County Schools. **MEGA is a nonprofit organization, and affiliated with the Chesterfield Education Foundation.** The organization was founded in the fall of 2009 when Dr. Marcus Newsome, Superintendent Chesterfield County Schools, asked a few community leaders to participate as mentors to close the achievement gap with especially African American males. Since then, the organization has grown exponentially in terms of volunteers, students and programming. MEGA now serves male and female students in its mentoring programs which teach the **basic values of RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY, EFFORT and ACHIEVEMENT.** These core values are imbedded in over 75 "**lesson plan guides**" developed by MEGA Mentors and friends of MEGA. The "lesson guides" also include life skills and leadership training and social experiences to broaden the student's perspective personally, academically and socially. We understand that all learning does not occur in the classroom. The organization sponsors speakers from all professions. Additionally, MEGA sponsors field trips, goal oriented recognition programs and awards to encourage ACHIEVEMENT. MEGA participates in the Falling Creek After-School Program.

In 2015 MEGA Mentors was recognized as '**Community Partner of the Year**' by the Chesterfield County School Board and Administration. MEGA was also recognized as recipient of '**The Presidents Volunteer Service Award**' for community service. In summary, our goals are to build hope, student efficacy, goal orientation and leadership skills which will eventually lead to better scholastic and behavioral results. Please refer to our website (www.megamentors.org) and social media pages for details.

How Can You Help Make a Difference? Volunteer Opportunities *(Times are subject to change)*

- 1) Mentor a student one-on-one (as schedule permits, but at least three hours a month)
- 2) One-on-One tutoring of a student (as schedule permits, but at least three hours a month)
- 3) Guest speaker at a mentoring or life skills session (as schedule permits, 45 minutes to an hour)
- 4) Work on various organizational committees that fit your skill set (as your schedule permits)
- 5) Mentor and Life Skills Program (Minimum two hours a month during the academic year) *
 - **Meadowbrook High School: Thursdays, 2x per month (1 hour each session 8 a.m.)**
 - **360 Academy (Chesterfield Technical Center Hull Street Campus): 2nd and 4th Fridays (1 hour each session)**
 - **Carver Middle School: Tuesdays or Thursdays, 2x per month (1 hour each session)**
 - **Falling Creek Middle School: Wednesdays or Thursdays, 2x per month (1 hour each session 8.am.)**
 - **Manchester Middle School: Tuesdays, 2x per month (1 hour each session starting 8:00am)**
 - **Providence Middle School: Tuesdays or Thursdays, 2x per month (1 hour each session)**
 - **Salem Middle School: Tuesdays or Thursdays, 2x per month (1 hour each session)**
 - **Thomas Dale High School: 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month (1 hour each session)**
 - **The Phoenix Center (Chesterfield Technical Center Courthouse Road): 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month (1 hour each session)**

How Can You Help Financially?

- MEGA general fund is for mentor program materials, field trips, recognition and reward programs. It requires:
 - \$250 to sponsor one student for a year
 - Other amount to help with student program expenses
- Tutor a Child Program:
 - \$25 to tutor a child for one month
 - \$250 to tutor a child for a year
- Purchase an advertisement or become a patron in the program book for our annual fundraiser– **MEGA’s Fine Art Benefit and Sale Event** (Full Page - \$600, Half - \$300, Quarter - \$150, Eighth - \$75)
- **Graduation Award Program** – for qualifying participating high school students who are continuing their education or pursuing a career.
- **Transportation and Field Trips** – Support experiential learning through field trips and after school transportation for tutoring and recognition events.
- **In-Kind Contributions** are welcome
(All contributors will be added to the MEGA Patron / Sponsor list)

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“Make a Difference, Become a Mentor”

- **Make contributions to:** MEGA Mentors, 13900 Hull Street Road, Midlothian, VA 23112, **or online at:** <https://www.megamentors.org>
- **Social Media:**
 - **Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/Megamentors.org>
 - **Twitter:** <https://www.twitter.com/MegaMentors>
 - **Instagram:** <https://instagram.com/megamentors>
 - **YouTube:** MEGA Mentors
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 - **Email:** info@megamentors.org

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