

#### **OUR PROGRAM:**

Pathfinders pairs boys and girls of single parent households with mentors in our community. All children need an adult to help with homework, listen when they have a problem, and push them to be their best. If you're overwhelmed by the stresses of life and parenting or think your child needs another caring adult to foster successful habits, a formal relationship with an adult mentor might be the answer.

# **WE STRIVE TO:**

- Affirm boys and girls that they have what it takes to be successful when they face challenges in life.
- Assist kids in making informed decisions about their lives and the future.
- Provide kids with positive role models and support.
- Promote healthy interests by spending quality time together doing fun activities.
- Encourage life-long learning and community

## **WHO CAN BE A MENTEE:**

- Mentees are boys and girls of single parent households
- Mentees are between the ages of 6 and 14 years old.
- Mentees are interested in the support of a mentor and can meet a minimum of 4 hours per month (ideally or an hour or more each week) to spend quality time together.
- Mentees do not need to attend Northstar or any other faith community.

# **BECOMING A MENTEE:**

- Express an interest in connecting with a mentor by contacting the Pathfinders Coordinator.
- Potential mentees (and their parent or guardian) will be required to submit an application form.
- The Pathfinders Coordinator will use the background information from the application to make an appropriate match with a mentor.

#### WHO ARE THE MENTORS:

- Mentors are committed volunteers who are asked to make a one year commitment (minimum of 4 hours per month).
- Mentors are members of local churches.

## **MENTOR SELECTION:**

All potential mentors go through a selection and training process which includes:

- Submitting an application form
- Participating in an interview
- Providing references
- Completing a background check
- Participating in a mentor training program
- Participating in ongoing training and support

Mentors will be asked for a minimum one year commitment to the program with the opportunity to renew additional one year periods at the end of each commitment.



## **MORE INFORMATION:**

For more information about the program and how to become a mentor or mentee please contact:

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