



## Partners in Education ***-Mentors Needed for High School Students-***

The Partners in Education mentor for the Romeoville High School Freshmen Advisory Program will work with an Advisory class to help the students transition to high school and achieve academic excellence.

- An afternoon training session in September will be provided for the mentors through the high school advisory team before their first meeting with the class.
  - The mentor will meet with the Advisory class 5 times throughout the year to bring the community connection to the classroom, monitor student progress in academics and relate academic success to life after high school.
    - These visits will coincide with the high schools 6-week grading periods and last about an hour.
    - The 6-week grading periods for the 2010-2011 school year end:  
Semester One-Mid October, Late November and the end of January  
Semester Two-Early March and Mid April
  - During the class visits, mentors are encouraged to:
    - Relate the academic skills the students are learning to the business/work skills needed in the various positions of their own business
    - Answer student questions about work expectations, and how their high school experiences relate to their future success
    - Field other topics and questions as outlined in the initial training
  - Based on the grades earned by the students, the mentor will have an opportunity to celebrate successes and work with students not meeting the standards.
    - The mentor will work with the struggling student(s) in a one on one setting to set goals and create action plans to help the student reach academic success by the end of the semester.
    - The mentors will also work with the students to reward the academic successes and improvements of the Advisory class at the end of each semester through a social at the school and/or through field trips to local businesses and colleges.
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