Making Connections
Mentor Application
2015-2016

Unlocking Your Potential
WHAT IS MAKING CONNECTIONS?

Making Connections is a college readiness program that serves high school women from socio-economically disadvantaged backgrounds in the Seattle area. The Making Connections program encourages these young women to pursue higher education, assists them with the college application process, and exposes them to careers in the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) and other fields. By participating in Making Connections students realize their capabilities to pursue higher education and a career in the STEM fields. The program supports these young women through individual academic advising, tutoring, and mentoring. Mentors are an important component of Making Connections because they offer guidance, support, and motivation to these young women in achieving their highest aspirations.

Making Connections seeks individuals who will:

• dedicate 4-6 hours a month toward building a relationship with their mentee
• offer support, advice, and guidance to their mentee while they explore higher education, apply for college, and gain knowledge about the STEM fields,
• support and motivate their mentee towards success in achieving their aspirations.
• attend a mandatory mentor orientation and training
• attend mentor-mentee socials with your mentee as well as other Making Connections workshops and activities
• provide monthly updates to program staff

BEGIN MAKING A DIFFERENCE!

PLEASE FILL OUT THE ENCLOSED APPLICATION AND RETURN TO MAKING CONNECTIONS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
Mentor/Tutor Application Form
2015-16

Name: ____________________________
(First) (Middle) (Last)

Local Address: ____________________________

City: ____________ Zip: ____________ Phone: (    ) _______ - _______

E-mail: ____________________________

Occupation: ____________________________

Education: (Please list completed degrees and/or current program of study.)
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Gender: ____________ Ethnicity (optional): ____________________________

Veteran: Yes / No

1. Please list any interest in or experience you have working with high school students:

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2. Many of our students come from socio-economically disadvantaged and/or ethnic minority backgrounds. Please list any experience you have working with these populations:

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3. Currently, do you have any obligations that would hinder your full participation in this program? If so, please explain.

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4. (For Mentors): Please write a short essay, to be read by your future mentee, introducing yourself. Include: why you want to be a mentor for the *Making Connections* program, your talents, hobbies, and/or interests, and what qualities, skills, and/or resources you feel you could offer a high school student.

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5. Throughout the year, students attend hands-on workshops on various topics pertaining to math, science, and technology. Would you be interested in volunteer opportunities during the events?

Yes                                           No               *(Circle one)*

I agree to attend the mentor orientation and training, participate in 4 – 6 hours per month of communication with my mentee(s), attend as many activities as I can with my mentee(s), and support *Making Connections* events.

Signature: ___________________________ Date: _________________

Please return the completed form and/or direct questions to:

*Kelsey Johnson*

*STEM Enrichment Coordinator*

*Making Connections, UW Women's Center*

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