

Aim High Mentoring Program

Mentee Eligibility Criteria

- **Must be a student of Sheffield City Schools**
- **Aged Kindergarten-8th grade**
- **Mentee should not be severely mentally or emotionally challenged or be receiving services for such.**
- **Parent/Guardian and child must want the services of a mentor**
- **Mentee must be experiencing **difficulty** in **two or more** of the following areas:**
 1. *Failing or declining grades*
 2. *Parent relationship*
 3. *Economic deprivation*
 4. *Poor social skills*
 5. *Delinquency*
 6. *Culturally disadvantaged*
 7. *Peer relationships*
 8. *Poor self-concept*
 9. *Parent or significant adult to student is Incarcerated*
 10. *Depression*
 11. *Lacks adequate support and attention of a stable adult*

***Remember, the majority of our mentors are high school students and are great at giving encouragement, being a friend for the student who always seems left out or shy, or needshelp with homework or studying for tests. They are not equipped or trained to handle students who have discipline problems in the classroom.*

***Mentors are trained Mandatory Reporters and also have been given Child Safety Training, references from at least 3 teachers, family members, community contacts who know them well, and have completed an interview with the Mentoring Coordinator. After this process is completed, they are approved by Mentoring Coordinator and Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Shoals Executive Director.*