

M.A.Y Mentoring Newsletter

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Skating @ Porter's Lake

January 12, 2025

We kicked off the month with a trip to Porter's Lake to do some skating. The Mentors and Mentees came together to skate, socialize and enjoy a little time together. We are so grateful for the Volunteer staff at Porter's Lake that makes the event so enjoyable. They played a few games and got the kids excited about the limbo and dice game.



National Mentoring Month

January 2025

In January, we spotlight the impacts of mentoring and elevate awareness around the critical need to keep empowering young people through supportive relationships. We invite you to engage with us, and to also activate your networks throughout the month to encourage visibility. This month we highlight mentors in our community as a Thank you for continuing to support our program and encourage the mentees that you're giving to in the program. We appreciate you all so much. Happy National Mentoring Month to all our current and past mentors.



New Year Bingo Event

January 23, 2025

M.A.Y Mentoring Bingo Night is always a big hit. We hosted Bingo night in the PK-8 Commons with Pizza, drinks and cookies. Mentors, Mentees and their families were able to attend. We played many fun rounds of bingo and students were able to win up to 3 prizes from the event. We also took time to thank all of the mentors this month in recognition of National Mentoring Month.



Campin with the Cops

January 2025

Do you have a 9-12 year old student in the Shenandoah Community School District that loves Fishing, Camping in tents, Archery, Hiking, Swimming... Campin with the Cops is a collaborative program between M.A.Y Mentoring and the [Shenandoah Police Department - Iowa](#). We want to encourage positive interactions amongst our youth with the Police Department and help our students to develop leadership skills and learn about being a good citizen in our community. Registration is currently open and will close on March 28, 2025. Please register by hovering your phone over the QR code.

All selected participants will be notified by May 15, 2025. If you have any questions please contact Lindsey Roberts at robertsli@shenandoah.k12.ia.us or call 712-246-2520.



We are taking sign-up for Campin with the Cops

When: June 4-6, 2025

Where: Lake Icaria

Who is eligible: All students ages 9-12 in the Shenandoah Community School District.

Register: Click on the QR Code to apply.

Registration ends March 28, 2025 @ 5:00pm



This is a completely free event through M.A.Y Mentoring and the Shenandoah Police Department. We will be camping, fishing, kayaking, swimming, land navigating, hiking, team building and learning leadership and character building skills.

Mentor Recruitment

January 2025

If you know anyone that might be a good fit for the M.A.Y Mentoring program please encourage them to contact me to become a mentor. The commitment is 4 hours a month for 1 year. The program hosts a 2 hour event every month to engage mentors/mentees so really the mentor and mentee only need to meet 2 hours a month outside the event. We have several waiting students who want to get a mentor and would love to be participating in the program. We thank you in advance for helping spread the word and keep this program strong.



Make a difference in your community and help us to inspire, connect and encourage our youth.

M.A.Y Mentoring requirements:

- ★ A 1 year commitment
- ★ 1 hour a week or 2 hours every other week contact
- ★ Pre-planned monthly M.A.Y Activities
- ★ Ongoing training and support for mentors

To Be A Mentor

★ We have several waiting children

If interested contact:
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M.A.Y Event Yearly- Calendar

2024-2025

February

February 3, 2025 (5:30-7:30 pm) Life Size Game Night (Public Library)

February 10-13, 2025 (school day) Valentines for Mentors

February 18, 2025 (5:30-7:30 pm) Glow with Kindness

March

March 11, 2025 (5:30-7:30 pm) Cocoa and Canvas with Miss Liv

March 30, 2025 (TBA) Swimming Party @ Clarinda Lied Library

April

April 13, 2025 (2:00-4:00 pm) Easter Scavenger Hunt & Kite Flying

April 2025 (TBA) Volunteer at Blessing Room

May

May 4, 2025 (TBA) Sew a pillowcase with Scrap Happy Quilters

May 8, 2025 (5:30-7:30 Pm) Yogurt, Yoga and You

June

June 14, 2025 (8:30-3:00 pm) M.A.Y Zoo Trip

School Events

Upcoming 2024-2025

February

February 6, 2025 Board Game Night

May

May 16, 2025 End of the Year Carnival

Early Out Wednesdays

January 2025

The events are on Wednesday from 2:00-4:00 pm at the Wesley Hall building located 200 Church Street. We provide healthy snacks, fun activities such as art, nature, kindness, healthy mind and body, good citizens and community helpers. If your student is wanting to join please sign up using the following link:

<https://forms.gle/M7SYxFGJPrYTFXRNg> this gives us a head count and knows who we are meeting at the bus stop. You will need to make the changes in SchoolPass for your child to ride the second round SAC and SAVE bus. The bus does actually stop in front of the building.

Join the MAY Mentoring Facebook page for more information.

Winter/Spring 2025- Topics

January 8, Yetis
January 15; Snowman
January 22; Winter Animals
January 29; Icicles
February 5; Hearts
February 12; Love/Valentines Day
February 19; Winter Birds
February 26; Winter
March 12; St. Patrick's Day
March 19; Shamrocks
March 26; Spring Flowers
April 2; Spring Animals
April 9; Rainbows
April 16; Easter
April 23; Rainy Days
April 30; Rabbits
May 7; Kites
May 14; Sidewalk Chalk



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Date: Wednesdays
Time: 2:00 PM-4:00 PM
Place: Wesley Hall Building
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Come join us for fun
activities, crafts,
games, and a snack.