



Thank you for your interest in becoming a mentor with Take Stock in Children!

This packet includes the mentor onboarding paperwork.

Please send by email to Kate Clement at [conclementka@gm.sbac.edu](mailto:conclementka@gm.sbac.edu) or by mail to:

The Education Foundation of Alachua County  
Attn: Take Stock in Children  
2802 NE 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Gainesville, FL 32641

After your paperwork has been submitted, our office will reach out via email concerning how to complete the mentor training video and additional information needed from you. Once training is complete, you will be matched with a Take Stock in Children mentee.

We look forward to having you join our TSIC team!

Please contact our office if you have any questions or concerns.

Thanks!

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# 2024-2025 Mentor Application

## EQUAL OPPORTUNITY POLICY

Take Stock in Children is an equal opportunity organization and complies with all applicable federal, state, and local non-discrimination laws. Take Stock in Children strictly prohibits and does not tolerate discrimination against students, mentors, applicants, or any other covered persons because of race, color, religion, creed, national origin or ancestry, ethnicity, sex (including pregnancy), sexual orientation, gender (including gender nonconformity and gender identity), marital status, age, physical or mental disability, citizenship, past, current, or prospective service in the uniformed services, genetic information, or any other characteristic protected under applicable federal, state, or local law. All Take Stock in Children employees, other workers, and representatives are prohibited from engaging in unlawful discrimination. Take Stock in Children will reasonably accommodate qualified individuals with a disability as required by law. Take Stock in Children will also, where appropriate, provide reasonable accommodations for an individual's religious beliefs or practices. Finally, no one will be subject to, and Take Stock in Children prohibits, any form of discipline, reprisal, intimidation, or retaliation for good faith reports or complaints of incidents of discrimination of any kind, pursuing any discrimination claim, or cooperating in related investigations.

**Directions:** Please complete this form in its entirety. All fields are required.

### Identification/Personal Background Information:

Name (First, Middle, Last): \_\_\_\_\_

Salutation: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security #: \_\_\_\_\_

Driver's License #: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Employment Start Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Career Field:

- Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources
- Architecture and Construction
- Arts, Audio/Video Technology and Communications
- Business, Management, and Administration

- Education and Training
- Energy
- Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
- Finance
- Government and Public Administration
- Health Science
- Hospitality and Tourism
- Human Services
- Information Technology
- Law, Public Safety, and Security
- Manufacturing
- Marketing, Sales, and Service
- Military
- Transportation, Distribution, and Logistics

Are you a graduate of the Take Stock in Children program:  Yes  No

If yes, in what year did you graduate High School? \_\_\_\_\_ County? \_\_\_\_\_

How do you identify?

Gender:  Female  Male  Gender Diverse

Race:  American Indian/Native American  Asian  Black/African-American  
 Multiracial  Pacific Islander/Hawaiian  White  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

Ethnicity: Are you of Hispanic origin?  Yes  No

Additional Language(s) spoken: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: (check one):  18-30  31-40  41-50  51-60  +61

51-60 Are you married?  Yes  No

Do you have children?  Yes  No

If so, please tell us the following:

# Children \_\_\_\_\_ Age(s) \_\_\_\_\_

**Mentor Contact Information:**

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Location Preference:**

- In School/In-Person Only     Virtual Only     Hybrid of In-Person and Virtual  
 No Preference

**If available, would you prefer to mentor a student nearest your work or home address?  
Check box options below:**

- I prefer to mentor a student nearest my home address.  
 I prefer to mentor a student nearest my work address.  
 I do not have a preference.

**Highest education level completed** (Check all that apply):

- some school, not a high school graduate     GED     high school graduate  
 associate's degree  
 technical/vocational certificate  
 bachelor's degree  
 master's degree  
 doctorate  
 other

Are you a first-generation college graduate\*?     Yes     No  
\*(neither parent has earned a baccalaureate degree or higher)

**Degree Field** (Check all that apply):

- Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources
- Architecture and Construction
- Arts, Audio/Video Technology and Communications
- Business, Management, and Administration
- Education and Training
- Energy
- Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
- Finance
- Government and Public Administration
- Health Science
- Hospitality and Tourism
- Human Services
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Are you currently enrolled in any education or training program?  Yes  No

If yes, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**Mentor Information:**

How would you describe your communication style?

- friendly and outgoing  usually wait to be approached by someone
- reserved until I get to know someone

I am interested in becoming a mentor because: (check all that apply)

- I think I'd be a positive role model
- I like children
- I have the time to give
- I overcame difficulties growing up and would like to help someone else
- I think I have the personality and abilities to be a good mentor
- I am interested in making a difference in the life of a child
- I believe in the value of mentoring
- I wish I had a mentor when I was a teenager

Do you have any specific training or experience in dealing with any of the following topics: (check all that apply, and if yes, then please explain.)

- College Admissions \_\_\_\_\_
- College Applications \_\_\_\_\_
- Communication \_\_\_\_\_
- Financial Literacy \_\_\_\_\_
- Financial Aid \_\_\_\_\_
- Health/Wellness \_\_\_\_\_
- Leadership \_\_\_\_\_
- Life Skills \_\_\_\_\_
- Persistence/Resiliency \_\_\_\_\_
- Personal Money Management/Budgeting \_\_\_\_\_
- Problem Solving Skills \_\_\_\_\_
- Self-Advocacy \_\_\_\_\_
- Study Skills \_\_\_\_\_
- Social Skills/Business Etiquette \_\_\_\_\_
- Time Management \_\_\_\_\_
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

List any clubs or organizations of which you are currently a member: \_\_\_\_\_

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Are there any particular challenges you would prefer not to handle as a mentor?

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Which of the following activities do you enjoy participating in or watching? (Check all that apply)

- Sports (specifically, \_\_\_\_\_)
- Handicrafts (specifically, \_\_\_\_\_)
- Outdoor Life     Mechanics/Science     Literature     Pop Culture (Movies, TV, etc.)
- Music     Collecting     Other \_\_\_\_\_

Is there anything else you would like us to know about you? If yes, please explain:

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The undersigned acknowledges and agrees that 1) the applicant is not obligated, if called upon, to perform the volunteer services herein applied for; 2) Take Stock in Children is not obligated to assign or actively seek to assign the applicant a Take Stock in Children student; 3) as part of the Take Stock in Children matching process, additional information may be requested from the applicant, and 4) Take Stock in Children reserves the right at all times to terminate any match between any volunteer mentor and student for whatever cause.

I declare that all of the statements made in this application are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Applicant's Signature

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Date

As a mentor in the Take Stock in Children program, I will always act in a behavior that is in the best interest of my student. Accordingly, I pledge to each of the following volunteer policy statements. Please initial your approval next to each statement.

- \_\_\_ I will adhere to all volunteer policies of my local school district.
- \_\_\_ I will notify Take Stock in Children if I must terminate my mentor position for any reason.
- \_\_\_ I will notify my student or their school liaison or the Take Stock in Children College Success Coach if I am unable to attend a previously scheduled mentoring session.
- \_\_\_ I will not willfully arrange unmonitored contact with my student or without the supervision of Take Stock in Children or school officials.
- \_\_\_ I will not drive my student in my car.
- \_\_\_ I understand that Take Stock in Children will terminate my relationship with my student if I violate any of the above policies.

### REFERENCES

Please print COMPLETE name, address, and relationship of three people. They must have known you for at least 2 years. Each should be in a position to evaluate your qualifications as a mentor. Please do not include family members, current boyfriends, girlfriends, or fiancées as references.

Name	Address	Zip Code	Phone #
1. _____	_____	_____	(____) _____
Relationship _____	_____		Years Known _____
2. _____	_____	_____	(____) _____
Relationship _____	_____		Years Known _____
3. _____	_____	_____	(____) _____
Relationship _____	_____		Years Known _____

If you are currently employed, please print the name and address of your work supervisor. If employed less than 6 months, the previous employer.

4. _____	_____	_____	(____) _____
Name	Address	Zip Code	Phone #



## Liability Release/Consent for Release Information

I do hereby affirm the above information is true. I understand if denied acceptance into a mentoring program, no reason for denial will be given. I hereby consent to

(local program) to release information to other entities, agencies, or individuals. I hereby release Take Stock in Children from any liability whatsoever for any information released or any acts or omissions connected with this application. I understand and consent to Take Stock in Children examining any and all available records or information from any source, to include but not be limited to criminal records.

I hereby allow Take Stock in Children to release any information compiled from my interview, references, or other sources pertaining to my application to become a mentor to Take Stock in Children. Take Stock in Children will use this information for the purpose of evaluating my ability to meet the initial criteria to serve as a mentor with a mentoring agency. I hereby release Take Stock in Children from any liability, debt, claim, suit, or obligation of any nature whatsoever should any information be obtained by any other individual, party, or entity of any nature whatsoever.

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Signature

Date

Please print your name here.

In which schools are you willing to serve? (**Check all that apply**)

**Middle Schools:**

- Howard Bishop - 1901 NE 9th St, Gainesville
- Ft. Clarke 9301 - NW 23rd Ave, Gainesville
- Kanapaha 5005 - SW 75th St, Gainesville
- Lincoln - 1001 SE 12th St, Gainesville
- Mebane - 16401 NW 140th St, Alachua
- Oak View - 1203 SW 250th St, Newberry
- High Springs Community School - 1015 N Main, High Springs
- Westwood - 3215 NW 15th Ave
- Resilience Charter School - 1717-A NE 9th St, Gainesville

**Gainesville High Schools:**

- Buchholz High School - 5510 NW 27th Ave, Gainesville
- Eastside High School - 1201 SE 43rd St, Gainesville
- Gainesville High School - 1900 NW 13th St, Gainesville
- Hawthorne Middle/High School - 21403 SE 69th Ave, Hawthorne
- Loften High School - 3000 E University Ave, Gainesville
- Newberry High School - 400 SW 258th St, Newberry
- Santa Fe High School - 16331 NW US 441, Alachua