



Volunteer Job Title: Mentor Me Connect Club Volunteer

Volunteer Job Type: Guest Speaker

Mission:

Mentor Me North Georgia (MMNG) is a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization that has been serving the Forsyth County community since 2002. Our mission is to empower today's youth by connecting them to trusted mentors and role models and provide opportunities for children and youth to reach their full potential. Mentor Me North Georgia serves children and youth, ages 6-17, through youth mentoring programs. We currently provide 3 different programs: One-to-One Community-Based Mentoring, Mentoring After School (MAS) for elementary students, and Mentor Me Connect clubs facilitated in collaboration with Forsyth County Schools for middle and high school students. The organization serves 1,500+ students a year.

Program Summary:

Mentor Me Connect is a group mentoring program facilitated by Mentor Me staff at 14 middle and high schools in Forsyth County. These "Connect Clubs" leverage staff and volunteers to equip, encourage, and empower students to be their best selves. Our vision is for all students to have healthy connections with themselves, their peers, teachers, other trusted adults, and their community. Connect Clubs include volunteer opportunities for individuals, business leaders, and stakeholders to be guest speakers and/or small group leaders at our programs.

Essential Volunteer Duties and Responsibilities:

Under the supervision of the Connect Program Manager, guest speakers are invited to share their time, talent, and experiences with middle and high school students in our Connect Clubs. MMNG's Connect Clubs' guest speakers lead engaging presentations, conversations and/or workshops with students in any of the following areas: social and emotional well-being, real-life experiences of prevailing, and a variety of basic life-skill topics.

Volunteer Requirements:

- Be at least 21 years old.
- Complete volunteer application forms for both Mentor Me and Forsyth County Schools.
- Complete an interview with the Program Manager prior to acceptance into the program.
- Lead engaging presentation or workshops with students aligning with Connect Clubs purpose and curriculum.
- Co-facilitate with MMNG staff member engaging reflection and conversation techniques for students based on the presentation and daily theme/topic.
- Submit speaking engagement plans and receive pre-approval from staff prior to the day of presentation.

Training & Supervision:

MMNG requires each Connect volunteer to attend one Connect Club training each school year. Trainings provide important information about our program, curriculum, and club schedules, and prepare you with resources to lead successful speaking engagements with students. A MMNG representative is available for additional questions and support in preparation for your speaking engagement, and a staff member will be present with you during each Connect Club presentation.

Time Commitment:

- Volunteers have the option of being a one-time guest speaker or multiple times September through May.
- 45-120 minutes per speaking engagement is required. (Time/locations vary for each club)
- Connect Clubs occur during the school day.
- Connect Clubs follow the Forsyth County school calendar and do not meet during school breaks, holidays, or early release days.