

PARENT PERMISSION FORM 2017-2018

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Students at Lockwood Elementary School have the opportunity to participate in Big Brothers Big Sisters' School Based Mentoring program. Elementary and Middle School students are "matched" with a College student volunteer or adult volunteer (a Big Brother or Big Sister/Lunch Buddy). The volunteer will visit your child once or twice a week, for about forty minutes to one hour per session, to get to know your child, eat lunch together, read, work on schoolwork, play in the gym or outside, etc. The activities take place during the school day and at the school - not off the school grounds.

If you would like your child to have this opportunity, please fill out the permission slip below and return it to the school.

Stefanie Gonzalez
Big Brothers Big Sisters Staff

School Principal

Parent/Guardian Name: Relationship to Child:

Child's Name: Date of Birth:

Grade (2017-2018 year): Gender: M / F / Other:

Race (check all that apply): Asian / Black / Hispanic / Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander
Native American/ Alaska Native (Tribal affiliation:)
White

Home Address Street City Zip

Home phone: Best time to call: Day Evening Weekends
Cell phone: E-mail Address:
Work phone:

The following questions are for grant purposes only:

What is your child's living situation?

Two parents (Circle: Married or not married) / One parent (Circle: Mother or father) / Other relative / Grandparents / Institution / Group home / Foster home / Sibling guardian / Two mothers / Two fathers / Other/unknown Any details:

Is a parent of the child currently in the military? No Yes

Are they currently deployed? No Yes

Is there a significant adult in your child's life who is or has been incarcerated? This could include parent, sibling, other relative, or friend. No / Yes, What is his/her relation to the child?

Does your child qualify for free or reduced lunch? No Yes

Has your child had any prior involvement with the juvenile justice system? No Yes

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If you have any preference regarding the race, religion, or other preferences regarding the volunteer your child is matched with, please explain in the space below.

BBBS does not discriminate on the basis of the above factors and volunteers with various characteristics may be accepted, but you may have a preference about the volunteer who may be matched with your child and we will do our best to follow your preferences. Please note that Bigs are not allowed to try to convert your child to their religious or political views.

In what ways could a Big help your child? (Check all that apply)

Social/Emotional: Relationships with Peers Extra-curricular activities Avoidance of participation in or negative attitude towards risky behavior Avoidance of juvenile justice involvement
 Building confidence/self-esteem

Education: Academics (grades) School attendance Educational expectations Confidence to well in school

Please comment on the reasons for the above selections

What are your goals for your child in this mentorship match?

If there is any additional information you feel would be helpful for us to know about when matching your child, please attach an additional sheet.

I give permission (1) for my child to participate in the Big Brothers Big Sisters Program; (2) for the school to provide social and academic information about my child to Big Brothers Big Sisters (e.g. report cards, behavior reports, attendance records); (3) to have my child complete a survey containing questions about school, home life, and personal interests; and (4) to have my child talk with a Big Brothers Big Sisters staff person about personal safety and the progress of the match.

_____ **Initial if I give permission to Big Brothers Big Sisters to use my child's photograph, video and first name for the purpose of publicity efforts by Big Brothers Big Sisters.**

_____ **Initial if I have received and reviewed the child safety information.**

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

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