Dear Families,

We need your help! Our TeamMates, school-based mentoring program is looking for mentors across the district. This one-to-one program matches screened trained volunteer mentors with youth in grades 3-12. Mentors and mentees meet once a week at the mentee’s school and focus on building a long-term relationship that ideally lasts until the mentee graduates from high school. The positive impact mentors have in the lives of our students is huge and can be seen in increased attendance and academic progress. If you think you might be interested or have questions about the eligibility criteria below, please contact me or the district’s coordinator at:

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712-233-1624 ext 212

District Coordinator
jacque.yaneff@bishopheelan.org
712-253-5073

Mentor Eligibility Criteria:

To become a TeamMates mentor, you must fulfill all of the following:

- Be 18 years of age
- Have a high school diploma, GED, or equivalent life experience
- Demonstrate a desire to participate in the program and abide by TeamMates Mentoring Program's guidelines, policies, and procedures
- Be able to commit to three years of mentoring with the goal of continuing to mentor a young person through high school graduation
- Give permission for TeamMates to conduct a periodic criminal background check

You can learn more about the program at [https://teammates.org/](https://teammates.org/).

Respectfully,

Michelle Ware
K-8 Counselor
Sacred Heart School