

THE CONNECTION YOUTH NEED



We understand—we're living in uncertain times where things can change in the blink of an eye. Wouldn't it be nice to know that your child has a consistent, caring adult in their corner? Someone to listen to them, answer their questions, or simply help them try something new. When we match your child one-to-one with a Big Brother or Big Sister, they'll be connected with a mentor, role model, and champion who will help keep them connected and on the path to their biggest possible future.

DEFENDING POTENTIAL KIDS MATCHED WITH A MENTOR:

- ✓ DO BETTER IN SCHOOL
- ✓ ARE MORE CONFIDENT
- ✓ ARE LESS LIKELY TO TAKE PART IN RISKY BEHAVIORS
- ✓ HAVE BETTER RELATIONSHIPS WITH THEIR PEERS AND FAMILIES

SAFETY FIRST

Big Brothers Big Sisters conducts thorough background checks on every volunteer in our program and a professionally trained Match Support Specialist supports each match.

FAMILIES AS PARTNERS

When it comes to the future of our children and the well-being of our communities, we are all in this together! We engage and involve parents every step of the way to make sure youth have the tools they need to succeed.

TWO WAYS TO PARTICIPATE

In our school-based virtual program, your child will meet with their Big virtually once a week. During these sessions a professional staff member will guide the match through online activities designed to strengthen the match relationship and help youth build important character strengths such as motivation, resilience and grit.

In our school-based plus program, your child will enjoy the benefits of our school-based virtual program with the added perk of being able to continue to build the match relationship outside of school sessions.

Through our partnership with local schools, these programs are offered **FREE OF CHARGE**.

QUESTIONS?

Contact Julie Kyte at jkyte@bbbscentralohio.org, **614-506-8776** or visit bbbscentralohio.org.

