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If you'd like to find out more about becoming a mentor, or you're keen to integrate our volunteers into your school, please get in touch.



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Mentor Mates Program



Inspiring confidence. Changing lives.

The Mentor Mates Program for secondary and tertiary students.



Volunteers helping students thrive

What is the Mentor Mates Program?

At EdConnect Australia, we train volunteers to provide support for young people, in school and in life. And that's what our Mentor Mates Program is all about - providing secondary-school and tertiary students, who might otherwise struggle, with a mentor to help them realise their worth and potential.

It's an outcomes-focused program, designed and formally evaluated to ensure the one-on-one support our mentors provide improves the confidence and social and emotional wellbeing of students, which ultimately improves academic performance, too.

But while our carefully selected and trained mentors provide structured, in-school mentoring support, the impact of their assistance and advice goes way beyond the classroom and school years.

From helping students find solutions to challenging situations, through to simply being there to talk, laugh and think about the future, our mentors are also friends, confidants and role models.

It's support that's proven to change lives and enrich schools. All with just one hour a week for 20+ weeks. All at minimal cost to schools.

How do we do it?

We do everything in partnership at EdConnect Australia. We work closely with schools to identify students who will benefit most from a mentor. We work closely with students, who can refer themselves to the program. And we work closely with volunteers, who are selected because they have the skills, commitment and time to provide the mentoring support students need.

In addition to carefully screening our volunteers, we also provide them with best-practice training, as well as ongoing support from a dedicated liaison officer. That's important.



“The mentors are a dedicated group of sensational people who have been so successful for a range of students.”

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For schools and students, it means the support our volunteers provide is of the highest calibre.

And for our volunteers, it means they have the confidence, skills and up-to-date knowledge needed to connect with students and make a real difference in their community.

“If I wasn't working with Kim (mentor) I would be out doing bad stuff. But since I've been working with Kim, he gave me confidence to keep on trying, so now I'm on a good path.”

DAVID, HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT