
BERKELEY COMMUNITY FUND

High Hopes Mentor Agreement

As a Mentor for the Berkeley Community Fund's High Hopes Scholarship Program, I agree to:

- Commit to being a Mentor to my assigned Scholar for four years, during the period of Scholar's BCF High Hopes Scholarship.
- Commit to monthly contacts (e-mail, telephone, letter, in person, etc.) with my Scholar, including two face-to-face meetings with Scholar each year, one each semester, if possible.
- Be a positive role model, try to develop a relationship of trust and respect with my Scholar, and provide personal support, information, and resources for my Scholar's college success.
- Participate to the extent I reasonably can in trainings, workshops, and events planned by BCF for Mentors and for Mentors & Scholars.
- Never meet with my Scholar while under the influence of alcohol, or other drugs, and never use tobacco in the presence of my Scholar.
- Never talk about intoxicants, including alcohol, tobacco or other drugs, or other negative behaviors in a positive way.
- Never use sexual innuendo, tell "off color" jokes, or engage in any inappropriate behavior or language, sexual or otherwise, in Scholar's presence or in communications with Scholar.
- Hereby confirm that I have never been arrested, and that I will be fingerprinted if requested by BCF.
- Treat with confidentiality information that Scholar shares with me with the expectation of privacy, unless Scholar's health or well-being is at risk.
- Inform BCF immediately if Scholar is failing to meet BCF requirements and I have concerns about Scholar's ability to recover or to complete his or her studies successfully.
- If I have concerns about Scholar's performance at college, I will agree to inform BCF management and provide whatever assistance I can to help the Scholar deal with his or her academic problems.
- Contact BCF immediately if I experience any difficulties in this Mentor/Scholar match. I understand that Scholar may contact BCF if he or she believes that the mentoring relationship is not satisfactory.
- Provide BCF with any suggestions I might have for new mentors and for improving this Mentoring Program.

Mentor's Name

Mentor's Signature

Date _____