



Parents as Partners Parent Mentor Program

Contact your Parent Mentor

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Logan-Hocking Schools

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Morgan Local Schools

Muskingum County:
East Muskingum Local Schools
Franklin Local Schools
Maysville Local Schools
Tri-Valley Local Schools
West Muskingum Local Schools

Perry County:
Crooksville Exempted Village Schools
New Lexington City Schools
Northern Local Schools

MVESC Parent Mentors Address the Unique Needs of Each Family

A Parent Mentor is the parent of a child with a disability. A Parent Mentor knows the challenges parents face. The mentor can support parents and school personnel as families work through the special education process. Parents care about the education of their children, and the schools care, as well. By working together, schools and parents can plan the most effective programs for children with special needs. Parent Mentors foster those partnerships. A Parent Mentor is available to assist parents of children with disabilities or suspected disabilities from birth through age 21.

Parent Mentors Listen and Build Networks

- A Parent Mentor is available to **listen** to the worries or frustrations families have about their children.
- They can **talk** to families about the Special Education process and tell them with whom to speak when they have questions.
- A Parent Mentor can **help** you prepare for school meetings and empower you to be a meaningful participant in the IEP (Individualized Education Plan) process.

Please visit www.mvesc.org/140 for more ways your Parent Mentor can help you!

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