



### **Inquiry and Orientation**

*Big Brothers Big Sisters serves young people from age six through young adulthood in one-to-one mentoring relationships. Bigs and Littles hang out 2-4 times a month for a few hours doing normal, everyday activities.*

*Each match is supported by a dedicated Match Support Specialist who is always there to provide resources and support specific to the Little's age. With a Big in their life, Littles in the Big Brothers Big Sisters program are empowered to ignite their potential as they grow in their self-esteem, engage in school, and interact in healthy relationships with a positive role model.*

- Application: [www.bbig.org/enroll](http://www.bbig.org/enroll)

\*Once an application is submitted, a professional staff will reach out to you within 3-5 days.

### **Enrollment**

***Throughout the process we strive to develop a relationship between you and Program Staff to learn about your interests, preferences and values with the goal of establishing a strong match.***

- Parent/Guardian Intake Interview with Program Staff
- Student Intake Interview with Program Staff
- Sign Agreements, Releases and Waivers
- Parent/Guardian Pre-Match Training" scheduled in person at the BBBS office or through The Learning Exchange: \*Interactive online course takes ~ 1.5 hours to complete\*
- Youth Pre-Match and Personal Safety Training
- Complete Baseline Surveys (Enrollment Satisfaction, Youth Outcomes Surveys, Risk and Protective Factors Inventory)

### **\*\*Waitlist\*\***

***While we hope to match your student right away, there is the possibility that we will not have a mentor who meets your child's needs and/or interests. If this is the case, you will be placed on our waitlist and we invite you to be involved in the following ways.***

***When a potential mentor becomes available, we will begin the match process.***

- Newsletters with listings of activities and resources for you to access
- Parent Trainings on a range of topics to support families and youth
- Group Outings - throughout the year, participants have the opportunity to attend special outings around the area. We invite your student to attend with a trusted adult.

### **Matching Process**

***Post enrollment, we want to help you establish strong lines of communication between mentee, family, volunteer and staff. These meetings open conversations about expectations and goals.***

- Schedule a Pre-Match Meeting with Staff and volunteer mentor to meet one another
- Meet mentor and begin meeting regularly (2-4 times/month)
- Complete Match Support Contact with Staff two weeks post match

### **Match Support**

***As an organization, we value supporting all parties throughout your relationship development. The below steps help ensure safety, connection and support.***

- Meet regularly with your little/Join optional free monthly outings hosted by agency
- Complete monthly Match Support Contact through - phone call, email or text
- Complete surveys
- Prioritize attendance at least 1 Agency Provided Training Annually

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