Near-Peer Mentoring Program
For 9th and 10th graders
2021-22

For the second year, Peak Education will offer a Near-Peer mentoring program, connecting current 9th and 10th graders with college-enrolled Peak Ed Scholars who have completed at least their first year of college.

Why should you sign up for a mentor?

A Near-Peer mentor is a Peak Ed scholar, just like you, who has already completed high school and their first year of college or more. They’ve been where you are now, recently enough to relate to your experience. They can provide you with another layer of encouragement and support as you transition into high school and move through your sophomore year. You’ll have your own person to check in with, helping you stay motivated and engaged with Peak Education programming. They can help you make the most of it and see its value from their perspective. Mentors can also share time management and study tips for high school and help you learn more about college life as you work toward your own college and career goals. Having a Peak Ed Near-Peer mentor is like icing on the cake!

Program Timeline 2021-22

July: Applications submitted by July 26th
August: Pairs matched by Peak Ed Staff
Early September: Full Group Orientation/Match Meeting (in person)
October-April: Individual pairs meet (in person or virtually via Zoom or other technology)
Monthly topics and suggested activities will be shared at the September meeting.
May: Full Group Celebration (in person)
Mentee Expectations
- Honor your commitment to the program.
- Attend September orientation/match meeting with mentors and mentee families.
- Communicate with your mentor in a timely and consistent manner.
- Respond to Peak Education staff emails and texts in a timely and consistent manner.
- Fill out a program evaluation at the end
- Reach out to Peak Ed with questions and concerns

Mentee Parent/Guardian Expectations
- Encourage mentee to stay in communication with their mentor
- Attend September orientation/match meeting with mentors and mentee families.
- Reach out to Peak Ed with questions and concerns.

Interested?
Submit an application here by July 26th!
Contact Anne Taylor at Peak Ed for more information.