

Big Brothers Big Sisters Board Report November 2021

Participants:

- # of School Based Matches - 0 - but will start program at 4-6 schools soon (COVID pause)
- # of Community Based Matches - 49. Waiting List - 56 (recently updated)
- # of Work Place Mentoring Matches - 0 (COVID pause)

Program Highlights:

- Our 2nd school-based mentor manager. William Gore, recently sat with officials from CBA, Bishop Ludden and Bishop Grimes and presented plans to start an in-person program in December or January.
- At this point, we remain on pause with most of the schools that we partner with. However, we are talking with a few schools about having bigs and littles meet here at Sumner School for in-person mentoring possibly as early as Jan. 3rd.
- Over 30 bigs and littles attended our Movie Night here at Sumner on Saturday, Nov 20th. Always good to see our clients enjoying themselves at our events (movie, snacks, pizza, prizes).

Upcoming Events:

- Advisory Council Appreciation Night...Thursday Dec 2nd...4:30....Press Room Pub
- Advisory Council Mtg. Monday Dec. 6th at 5:30. Zoom
- Holiday Party (drive thru)...Saturday Dec 18th...11:00 am to 1:00 pm

Success Story:

In a normal non-COVID year, we would have bigs from Bishop Ludden and Bishop Grimes mentor littles from other schools. CBA is not even on our roster. However, in this year in which most of our partner schools have put us on pause due to COVID precautions (no transportation, not wanting to mix kids from different schools), the administration at Bishop Ludden, Bishop Grimes and CBA are totally on board with changing up our normal program routine. In this next month, we will start in-person programming at these schools as we will have their 11th/12th graders serve as bigs to their 7th/8th grade (littles). Since they are in the same building already, there is no concern with mixing kids from different schools and it eliminates the need for transporting bigs/littles. Even though this is a one year deal, it certainly opens the door to expanding our program down the road.