

MENTORING

In Greek mythology, Mentor is the old friend to whom Odysseus entrusted his son while he was away fighting the Trojan War. The young son relied on Mentor's counsel in his father's absence, and Mentor guided him in the way of wisdom.

Today, we use the word "mentor" to mean an adult role model for youth, someone who, like Mentor, we can rely on for guidance and wisdom.



How can you get matched up with such a mentor? Here are some ideas:

Big Brothers Big Sisters *.848-7207 (Wausau)*
or. . .659-4969 (Spencer)
Offers friendship, companionship and appropriate role models for youth age 6-14 who need or want a mentor.

Guides for Growth *.261-0853 (Wausau West H.S.)*
.261-0657 (Wausau East H.S.)
Adult "Guides" who are willing to share their work experience with a young adult are matched up with a high school student who wants to explore a specific career firsthand at a local place of business.

Learning for Life *355-1450 ext. 313*
This Boy Scout program matches students with community role models and mentors, to help them pursue their career interests, recognize and overcome obstacles, and gain skills to prepare for the world of work.

For information about other specialized mentoring programs, call:
United Way's 2-1-1 *dial 2-1-1 or 848-2255 any time day or night*
Offers information & referral to community services that can help.
Or, access our website at: www.unitedwaymc.org/211.htm.
Click at SEARCH ONLINE, then click on "M" and select MENTORING SERVICES.