

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Your teen has chosen to participate in eMentoring. This program has been developed to provide mentoring opportunities to rural youth. Program funding comes from Doctors of BC, and is distributed through the [Rural Education Action Plan](#).

With your permission, your teen will be matched with a volunteer mentor who is a post-secondary student. Your teen and their mentor will communicate by sending messages to each other through an online mentoring platform called [MentorCity](#). At eMentoring, safety, security, and privacy are our primary concern:

- MentorCity is a Canadian company that stores their data on servers located in Canada and does not sell their data to third parties.
- eMentoring's agreement with MentorCity ensures that your teen will only be able to communicate with their mentor while on the platform.
- Upon entering the program, mentors and mentees agree to respect their match's privacy (except when safety is at stake), and refrain from sending inappropriate messages and sharing personal information.
- All communications are monitored by the eMentoring and MentorCity staff. MentorCity is able to automatically recognize and remove personal information if it is shared. The eMentoring staff is able to remove any inappropriate messages and reserves the right to ban any participant for inappropriate conduct.
- Mentors are vetted and trained prior to mentoring a student. They must have a valid Criminal Record Check, complete an application form, and pass a quiz after training. Please contact us if you would like more information.

In the program, your teen will complete a curriculum that explores academic success, allyship, career options, post-secondary choices, and much more. Their mentor will guide them through this curriculum while providing support and advice. Mentors in our program act as role models and as friends, and are typically near-peers to your teen.

Throughout the program your teen will be asked a series of evaluation questions about their attitudes towards school, careers, their self-confidence, and their geographical preferences. These are for program evaluation and research purposes only. Research conducted is solely for academic purposes (publications in peer-reviewed journals, presentations at research conferences) and all data will be de-identified prior to use and will never be sold to third-parties.

We hope that you will agree to your child's participation in eMentoring. Please contact us if you have any questions or concerns about the information you have just read.

I have read the above information and give consent for my teen to participate in the eMentoring program. I will contact the eMentoring staff if I have any questions or concerns.

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Parent/Guardian Name

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Student Name

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Signature

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Date

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