

A Mentor for Every Student

## workforce development

Right now, one in every six young people ages 16-24 are disconnected from work and school. The 2013 National Gallup Student Survey shows that 46 percent of youth in our country say they lack hope, and 34 percent say that are not thriving.

Today's Mentee. Tomorrow's Employee. It is as simple as that. Just like heroes, mentors hold up a child's dream until they are ready to take it on themselves.

manufacturing self-employed pre-K-12 ed 6% 1% non-profit/ 16% 13% college students professional 8% retired 27% 9% medical

## current business support

More than 70 local companies employ the current 1.000+ mentors. More than one-fourth of our mentors work in the financial industry.

> At many organizations, mentoring is part of the corporate culture. Employees are given the time to meet with their student and share an interest in making Sioux Falls better. A high percentage of our mentors found out about mentoring through their employer. Research shows that employees are happier, healthier

and more loyal to their employer when they are given an opportunity to make a difference by volunteering.

## - Carl Wynja

**Each** week when

I spend time with my student,

I walk away with a renewed

priorities. For the past 20 years,

Elementary has been one of my favorite times of each week.

experiences with mentoring and

have been committed for many

become a treasured part of our

culture – with bankers sharing

encouraging others to become

mentors. Mentoring has been a

blessing to all of us, and I have

commitment for years to come. >>

no doubt we will continue this

their experiences, ideas and

years. As a result, mentoring has

co-workers have had similar

outlook on my day and my

mentoring at Hawthorne

## join the cause ... be a hero!

financial

Grab your cape, put on your mask, and become a hero to a young person in our community. And then get others to become heroes, too. There is a list full of kids who are waiting for someone just like you and your employees.

Embrace a new culture; put forth a strong commitment to workforce development. Be someone who matters to someone who matters.

You have the power to make a difference. Be an everyday hero.



