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Mentor Luncheon is coming up!

Mark your calendars!! Energizing Education would like to invite you to attend its Mentor Appreciation Luncheon!

The event is being held to show gratitude to the many mentors who have volunteered their time and energy to make our program great and impact the students at Arnold Elementary School. The Mentor Appreciation Luncheon will be a very special day for Energizing Education students as they will travel by bus from Arnold Elementary School to the event.

The Luncheon will be held at Michigan Center High School on May 6th, and will go from 11 am to 12:30 pm.

We hope to see you there!

Energizing Education

Arnold Elementary School

Mentors make magic!

Jackson County schools will be wrapping up the school year soon, which means Energizing Education will be put on pause for the summer. The past several months have meant a lot of success for Energizing Education. The 2013-2014 saw Energizing Education expand to four total schools, with over twenty graduations from the program and the acquirement of over one hundred mentors.

By now, it's no secret that mentors are the key to our program's success. Energizing Education isn't the first to implement the idea however. In fact, the volunteer mentor-model has long been in use by another successful organization in Jackson County, Big Brothers Big Sisters.

Big Brothers Big Sisters is a non-profit organization which partners mentors, termed "Bigs", with children ("Littles") to form lasting friendships. Their mission is to help children reach their full potential through professionally supported one-to-one relationships with a measurable impact.

Executive Director Bruce Van Eyck takes pride in the work the organization does and is glad to see the impact Energizing Education has had utilizing similar relationships. "Big Brothers Big Sisters is about bringing magical moments to children in need. It's that magic that makes all the difference.", Van Eyck stated.

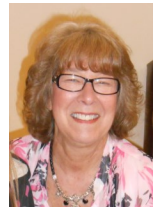
Energizing Education pursues the same magical moments with its mentor-student pairs, and our mentors have been ecstatic about their experiences with the program.



It allows me to do something for students that I wouldn't be able to do normally with my job. I love helping someone read—the kids are wonderful and touch our hearts!

- Kathleen Lamb

Energizing Education means so much to me. I feel good inside knowing I'm helping a student. I really want to continue with the program.



- Donna Jeffrey



Name: Mark DeRossett

Business: Royal Adhesives & Sealants

Why did you volunteer?: I enjoy working with kids.

How has your experience been so far?: I have enjoyed reading with Cole. I am glad I was part of his progressing reading levels.

What was your favorite book growing up?: Green eggs and Ham

What is your favorite book now?: I like to read hunting and wildlife type books right now. I also enjoy reading biographies.



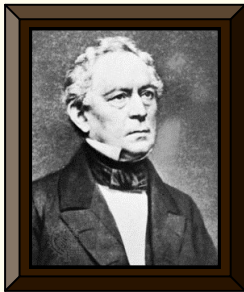
May Mentor Training Calendar

Date	Time	Type	Location
May 5	2:00-4:00 pm	EE Tutor	Frost Energizing Education Literacy Lounge
May 13	2:00-4:00 pm	EE Tutor	Frost Energizing Education Literacy Lounge
May 19	3:00-5:00 pm	EE Tutor	Frost Energizing Education Literacy Lounge
May 27	2:00-4:00 pm	EE Tutor	Frost Energizing Education Literacy Lounge

Contact Charlie at energizingeducationjackson@gmail.com to sign up

Quote of the Month

“Education is a better safeguard of liberty than a standing army.”



Edward Everett
1794 - 1865

We moustache you another question! Did you have fun at our moustache-themed family night?!

Have a look at the photos below in case you missed it!!



Look out for Energizing Education in MLIVE and the Citizen Patriot, as they will soon begin publishing a series of articles covering the Cradle to Career Network (C2C). The first article in the series will be highlighting Energizing Education, so be sure to check in your newspapers and online for the story!!



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