

The initial program has changed and grown exponentially since its inception in 1994 from just a few students to our current enrollment of 28 young men. What was once a strictly an academic program, has evolved to include; self-awareness, cultural and social development with activities such as college campus tours, group camping experience, professional speakers and tours of the national capital museums to name a few. When thinking about all the reasons we do what we do to help the-se young men, it's really about helping the next generation. Unfortunately we cannot meet the demands of the mentoring program without community support. We hope you'll join us in helping to provide opportunities to deserving students. Your tax deductible financial gift to the Tau Pi Initiative is critical to ensuring the Mentoring Program remains strong. It's easy to give, so please do it today!

Building Friendship



*"To The Best of Men"
May all boys become men
May all men become better men
May those better men become best men
And the best of men be Omega Men*

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"It's imperative that our young brothers know that we care. If we don't educate, encourage, motivate, and inspire our youth who will?"

—Unknown

OMEGA PSI PHI FRATERNITY, INC.



Tau Pi Chapter Mentoring Initiative Columbia, Maryland



Real Men Mentor Boys

Program Overview

The Tau Pi mentoring initiative is designed based upon the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity's cardinal principals of Manhood, Scholarship, Perseverance and Uplift with the intent to reach elementary and middle school disadvantaged African American males. The purpose of the initiative is to foster positive educational and cultural experiences, while assisting participants in planning, pursuing and achieving future success.



**2011 Mentor's Tour of Howard University
Washington ,DC**

The goal of the program is to assist the mentees in the achievement of academic success and the elevation of self-esteem. Tau Pi accomplishes these goals through the following objectives:

- ◆ Development of organizational and time management skills
- ◆ Developing goals and establishing action plans for the achievement of high academic standards.
- ◆ Teaching self-control and peer relationship techniques
- ◆ Leadership awareness
- ◆ Conflict resolution and perseverance through all types of challenges.

Mentoring Services

The development and tracking of all group participants is closely monitored by a certified educator in conjunction with the assigned mentor and parental involvement. Services include: weekly educational sessions and workshops, quarterly social and cultural events, college preparation counseling, life coaching, community service opportunities while interacting with positive professional men. Topics covered during our educational programs and workshops include:

- ◆ Self-identity, Self-Esteem and Self-Assessment
- ◆ Goal setting and planning
- ◆ Academic achievement and college preparedness
- ◆ Developing positive relationship
- ◆ Social etiquette (Anti-Bullying)
- ◆ Community service hours
- ◆ Health and well-being
- ◆ Public speaking
- ◆ Environmental Awareness



Tutoring Services

The mentor tutoring component concentrates on identifying the student's academic areas of development for each mentee. This is accomplished through open lines of communication between the mentees, parents, educators and mentors. The key areas of academic emphasis are: Mathematics, English, Science and History. Each student is prepared an individual academic plan with challenging yet attainable goals with clear benchmarks. As students reach their individual benchmarks and goals, they are awarded incentives to encourage continued hard work. The ultimate goal is to assist the young men participating in the program with improved academic proficiency and peer relationships that will allow them to be successful in their learning environment.



Benefits of the Mentoring Program

The youth of our program benefit by experiencing life lessons from caring and dedicated volunteers who are interested in the long-term success of all participants. Tau Pi initiative program is tailored to provide critical services and experiences to improve the overall personal development of each mentee through a wide range of projects, trips, programs and activities. Mentees build confidence necessary to visualize, believe and pursue their dreams. Finally, when program participants' graduate from Tau Pi initiative program they have built a network of friends who are committed to providing continued support.