## Change the life of a child. **BE A MENTOR.**

The New York State Mentoring Program creates supportive mentor relationships for children in elementary, middle and high schools. This one year program takes place in a school-based, one-to-one setting, where mentors are positive role models, guiding students with respect, structure, compassion and life skills.



## WHY SHOULD YOU BE A MENTOR?

Children can succeed despite overwhelming personal, economic and structural obstacles. They often do so with the support of a caring mentor in their lives. Mentoring outcomes include greater participation in school, improved attendance, higher graduation and college admission rates, and better overall performance.



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## HOW DO I BECOME A MENTOR?

- Fill out the Mentoring Application by visiting the New York State Mentoring Program website www.ny.gov/mentoring or call 1-844-337-6304 to have an application mailed.
- After your application has been received, you will be contacted by a New York State Mentoring Program Director to discuss the required screening process and training.
- 3. You will be matched with a trained Mentee at a nearby school and Program Staff will support you throughout your Mentoring experience.



Mrs. Matilda Raffa Cuomo, former First Lady of New York State and the Founder & Chair of the New York State Mentoring Program, visiting Mentees in an Albany school (2015).

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