

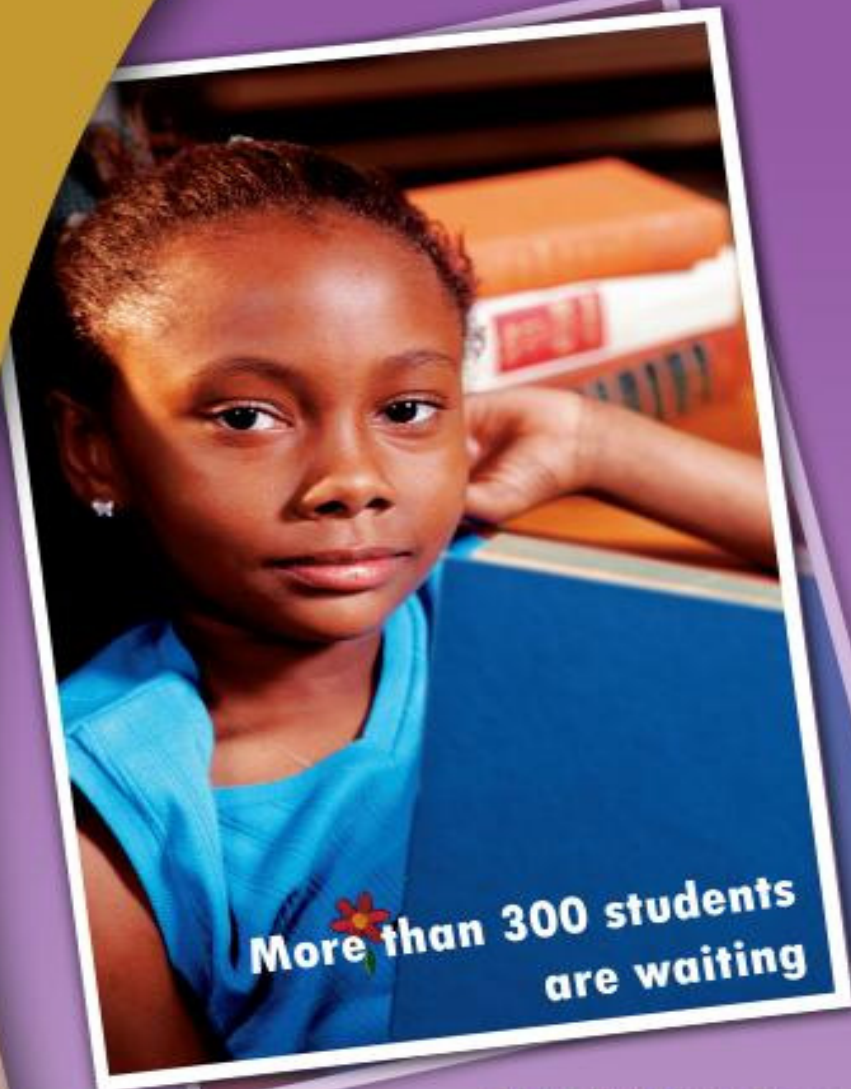
# WILL YOU BE MY MENTOR?

**My hopes and dreams can be achieved with you!**



**Scholarships,  
Mentors and Hope**

**Mentor today!  
Send a child  
to college**



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"TSIC is a non-profit organization that provides scholarships, advocacy and mentors for deserving students. Students must maintain good grades, be upstanding citizens and meet with their mentors. In exchange they receive a scholarship to attend a State University or College for up to four years."

# TAKE STOCK IN CHILDREN

## MENTOR FACT SHEET

### What is *Take Stock in Children*?

*Take Stock in Children* is a non-profit program, which provides deserving low-income children in our community with caring adult mentors, advocacy/case management, wraparound services, scholarships to college or accredited vocational-technical schools and hope for the future. Since 1995, *Take Stock in Children* has enrolled over 13,000 children, of whom 96% of them have remained committed to the program.

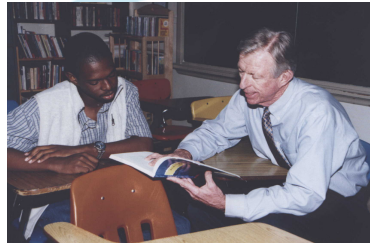
*Take Stock-changing children's lives —one child at a time.*

*Take Stock* students sign a contract with their parents' support pledging to:

- Stay in school
- Maintain good grades
- Remain drug free
- Exhibit good behavior
- Not commit any act of crime or violence
- Meet with a mentor.

### Why Mentor?

Mentoring helps students succeed, achieve, and graduate from school. The role of a mentor is to provide a listening ear, assistance to help students guidance can help build a challenge students to take They can start to set goals and in school. As students begin to absenteeism decreases, self-esteem increases.



valuable guidance, and academic experience greater success. Your foundation of basic values and responsibility for their own actions. understand the importance of staying realize that someone cares, school academic performance improves, and

**More importantly, each child must have a volunteer mentor in order to guarantee their scholarship. Without volunteers like you this is not possible!**

By building their sense of self worth and demonstrating that someone cares, students will have a better chance of staying in school and playing a productive role in the community. As a successful person in the community, you will be able to share your experiences with a student and open a new world of possibilities to him/her.

### Who Can Be A Mentor?

Any responsible adult who is willing and able to share time with a student on a consistent basis can be a mentor. The mentor will show students that someone cares about them and wants them to stay in school. Mentors will become friends and role models to students who may not otherwise have an adult

in their lives to guide and direct their actions and choices. A mentor's guidance will greatly contribute to their success.

### **What Does A Mentor Do?**

A mentor makes a commitment to a student to meet with him/her for one hour each week. A mentor provides the student with dependable, genuine, and consistent attention. Mentors encourage students to attend school daily, earn good grades, and pursue their goals. Mentors can help students with their homework, class work, or just provide them with a listening ear and caring words of praise or encouragement.

### **Where Do I Mentor?**

Mentoring sessions take place only on school grounds and during school hours. Your mentoring session can be held in the library, cafeteria, or other available places around the school. A schedule is arranged between you and your mentee on which day and time you will meet.

### **How Does A Mentor Know What to Do?**

After an initial orientation and training session, you will meet your student/mentee at his/her school. A mentor handbook will be provided with helpful information tips, and activities to guide you in the mentoring process. Your Mentor Coordinator is available for questions and guidance.

### **What Is Team Mentoring?**

Although *Take Stock in Children* would prefer one mentor per student, we recognize the hectic schedule of highly effective people and will pair up mentors with each other. Team mentoring (two mentors per student) assures students the probability that their mentors will meet with them each week.

### **How Can I Become A Mentor?**

When you have decided to make that serious commitment to work with a *Take Stock* student, you will complete a *Take Stock in Children* Mentor application. After your application has been reviewed, you will attend a 90 minute training and once your background check is completed, you will then be matched with a student who will benefit from your guidance and the caring relationship.

### **Take Stock in Children**

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**Please Complete and Return:**



**YES!!! I am interested in learning more about the *Take***

**Stock in Children Program and how I can be a mentor in my community.**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

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CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

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- Fax this form to (305) 237-7689
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**On Behalf of our Children...  
Thank You!**

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