



UNCOVERING PASSION. EXPLORING POTENTIAL.

A MESSAGE FROM THE CEO: WELCOME BACK!

Adopt A Class is thrilled to be partnering with you all this school year! We are looking forward to having you back in the classroom this fall. After the last two years, it is now more important than ever that students have access to caring adult mentors. The need for mentorship is so great, and each of you has risen to the challenge in the most unique way. We appreciate those of you joining us for the first time as well as those of you returning with your volunteer team and classroom this school year. We are so grateful to have you as mentors, educators and friends in our Adopt A Class community!



Every month during the school year, you will receive an Adopt A Class Newsletter featuring great information and resources for your sessions, mentor team and school highlights, AAC news, as well as information about upcoming events. We are committed to being with you every step of the way this school year. To help get you all excited for your first session, check out our Classroom Visit 101 YouTube video below.

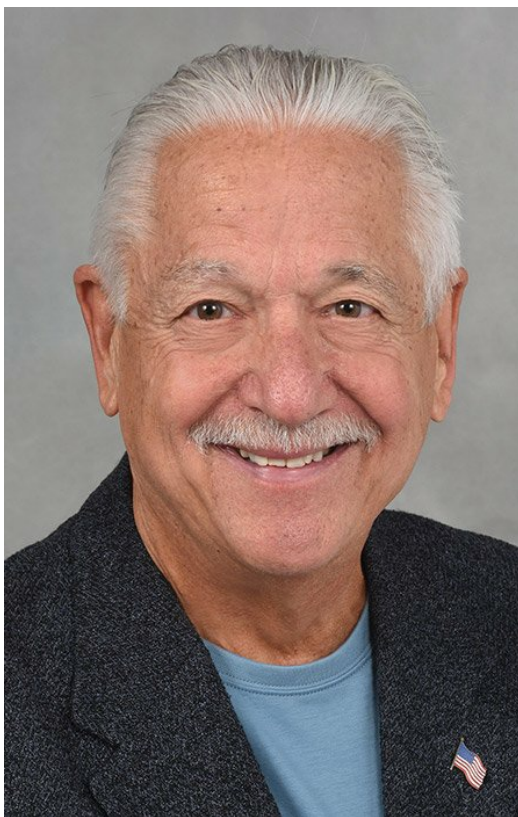
Thank you all for being the spark! We appreciate all you do for Adopt A Class and for the students we serve. We wish you a fun and successful mentoring experience this year!

Sincerely,

Sonya Fultz
Chief Executive Officer



ADOPT A CLASS NEWS



Adopt A Class Founder, Bill Burwinkel named Philanthropist of the Year by AFP Greater Cincinnati

Please join us in congratulating our founder, Bill on being named 2022 Philanthropist of the Year by AFP Greater Cincinnati.

Bill was nominated by Adopt A Class with supporting nominations by Oyler School, Great Parks of Hamilton County, Golden Gloves, and Community Learning Center Institute. Bill and other winners will be honored at the 30 Years of Philanthropy Pearls of Wisdom event on November 17th at Music Hall. Read more from the Movers & Makers article [here!](#)

2022 MENTOR SYMPOSIUM!

Don't forget! Register for the 2022 Mentor Symposium!

Register yourself and your team and join us for this year's AAC Mentor Symposium! The Mentor Symposium is AAC's annual kickoff

WEDNESDAY,
SEPTEMBER 14THCintas Center
1624 Musketeer Dr.
Cincinnati, OH 45207
8:00AM - 10:00AM

2022 MENTOR SYMPOSIUM

event for our volunteer mentors to gain insight on curriculum, activities and resources, and network with other AAC mentors!

**Wednesday, September 14th
8:00am to 10:00am
Cintas Center**

[Register](#)

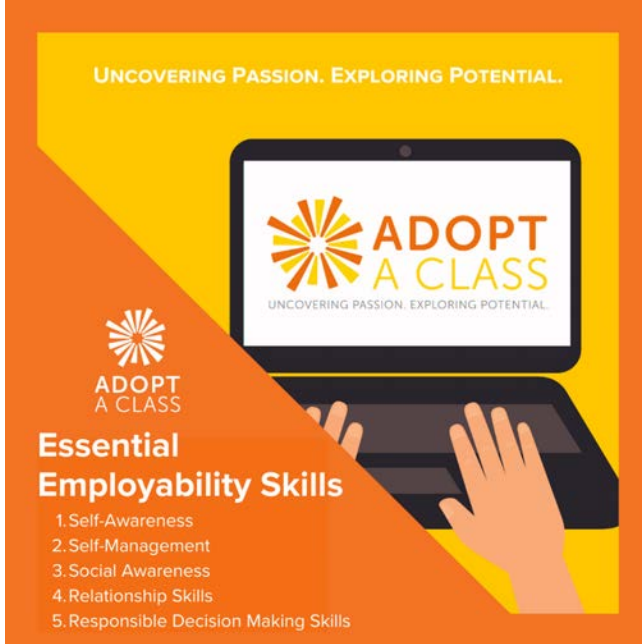
ACTIVITY CORNER!

Each newsletter, Adopt A Class will share icebreakers & activities with you that are tailored to the grade band you serve. We ask that your activities are focused on college & career pathways, essential employability skills, and/or STE(A)M. Please check out the icebreakers and activities for the other grade bands if you are looking for a bit of inspiration for your mentoring sessions!

As always, more lessons are available on our website in our **Resource Center: Educational Activities**. Please note that this portion of our website will be under construction through September as we revamp it. If your industry or grade is not available, reach out to your AAC team member for assistance in planning your activities, icebreakers, and curriculum!

Essential Employability Skills

As always, mentors are encouraged to focus on **STE(A)M** and **Career Exploration and Pathway** activities during their classroom visits. We are also encouraging our mentors to focus on **Essential Employability Skills**. These skills highlight self-awareness, self-management, social awareness, relationship skills, and responsible decision-making skills and can be applied to any grade level!



So how do you choose which Essential Employability Skills you are helping students learn? Here are examples to help you and remember to complete your Mentor Tracker so we can know what students practiced in your activities!

- **Self-Awareness:** identifying and recognizing emotions; accurate self-perception; recognizing strengths, needs, and values; self-efficacy
- **Self-Management:** impulse control and stress management; self-motivation and discipline; goal setting and organizational skills
- **Social Awareness:** perspective taking; empathy; difference recognition; respect for others
- **Relationship Skills:** communication, social engagement, and relationship building; working cooperatively; negotiation, refusal, and conflict management; help seeking
- **Responsible Decision-Making:** problem identification and situation analysis; problem solving; evaluation and reflection; personal, social, and ethical responsibility

MENTORS SAFETY & SECURITY AGREEMENT!

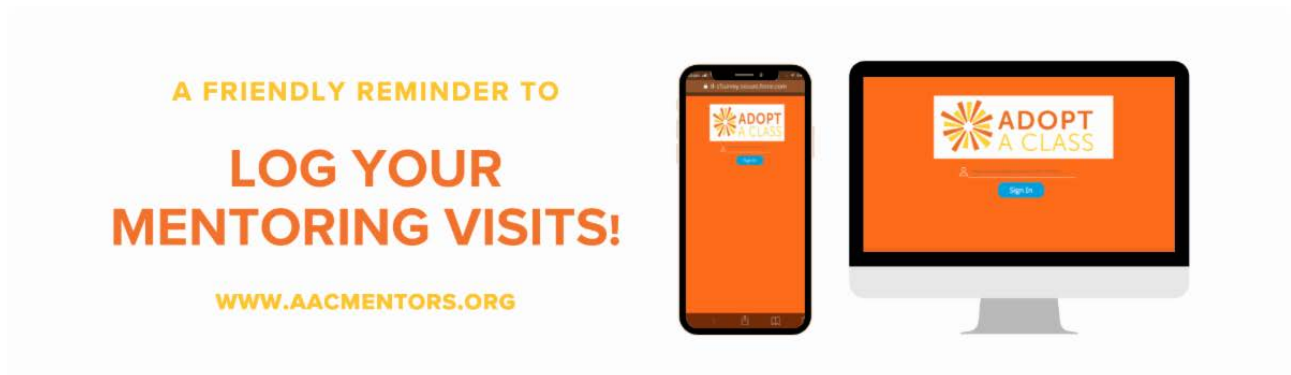
ATTENTION ADOPT A CLASS TEAM LEADS and/or CO-TEAM LEADS!

We are grateful to be able to rely on you to help maintain the safety and security requirements of our program. The Safety and Security Agreement outlines our program's policies & procedures and gives us the opportunity to get your team(s) roster's contact information. This helps us maintain the best communication with you and your team members throughout the school year. The Safety & Security Agreement **MUST** be completed annually before your first mentoring session.

The Safety & Security Agreement will be hitting your inbox soon!

MENTORS

LOG YOUR MENTORING VISITS!



Please log your mentoring sessions in the **Mentor Tracker** after each visit. The information you provide is instrumental in helping us understand our total impact. It also allows us to provide your company with specific details about your teams, classrooms, and contributions each year. Click the image above or log in with your email by visiting aacmentors.org/log-a-visit.

EDUCATORS

TEACHER AGREEMENT

ATTENTION ADOPT A CLASS EDUCATORS

We are excited to be back in the classrooms this upcoming school year! With this in mind, we will be sharing our Teacher Partnership Agreement with you that outlines our program's expectations and commitments.

This mutual understanding will help us make this a successful experience for everyone involved. The Teacher Partnership Agreement **MUST** be completed before your first mentoring session with your AAC mentor team.

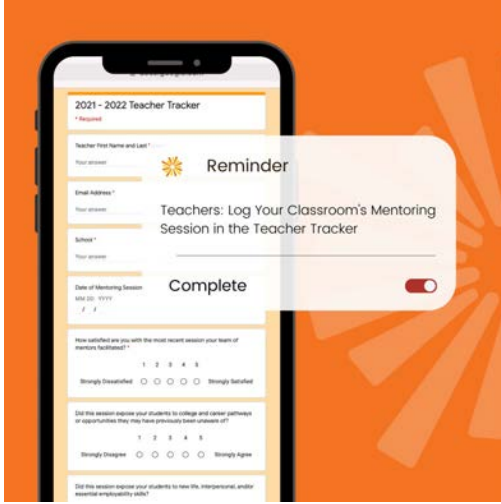
The Teacher Agreement will be hitting your inbox soon!

EDUCATORS

LOG YOUR MENTORING VISITS!

Please log your mentoring sessions in the **Teacher Tracker** after each visit.

The information you provide is instrumental in helping us understand our total impact. It also allows us to provide specific details about Adopt A



Class's impact on students and helps us uphold our high-quality programming for your classroom. Click the image or log in [here](#) to access the Teacher Tracker.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW TEAMS OF MENTORS!

- Akers Packaging
- American Planning Assn.
- BGR
- Brighton Center
- CET
- Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
- Cincinnati Observatory
- Cincinnati Police Department SWAT
- Cincinnati Police Department Women Officers
- Cincinnati State
- Cincinnati Water Works
- Contemporary Arts Center
- Crossroads Men's Group
- CTI
- DHL
- Driehaus Insurance
- Duke Energy Ohio
- Eureka! Ranch
- FC Cincinnati
- Fourth Street Performance Partners
- GE Hispanic ERG
- Givaudan
- Great Parks of Hamilton County
- Hamilton County Probate Court
- Hamilton County Prosecutor's Office
- HGC Construction
- Hightowers Petroleum
- Huntington Bank
- Johnson Investment Counsel
- Kaleidoscope Innovation
- Kroger Design System
- LaRosas
- Legacy Financial Advisors
- Manley Burke
- Merrill Lynch
- Metro
- Michael Baker Int'l
- Miller Valentine
- Northern Kentucky University BLSA
- P&G Veterans
- Patty Brisban Foundation
- Prologis
- Prysmian
- RDI
- School Outfitters
- Swivel
- The Christ Hospital Network
- The David J. Joseph Company
- The Port
- University of Cincinnati Honors Program
- United Audit
- Valley Central Bank
- VonLehman
- Western & Southern
- Xavier University Fellows Program
- Xavier University School of Business

THE ADOPT A CLASS TEAM

AAC Mentors and Educators! Below is a list of the Adopt A Class team along with the schools they work with. They will be your direct contact for the school year!



Sonya Fultz, CEO

- Academy of World Languages
- Holy Family Catholic School
- Wildwood Elementary

Email Sonya



Kate McCann, Senior Manager of Corporate Relations

- Glendale Elementary School
- Hartwell School
- Hays-Porter School
- Lincoln Heights Elementary
- Ockerman Elementary School
- Withrow High School

Email Kate



Erin Mullen, Corporate Relationship Manager

- Cheviot School
- Mt. Washington School
- Riverview East Academy
- Roberts Paideia Academy
- Rockdale Academy
- South Avondale Elementary School

Email Erin

Katie Andress, Operations Manager



- Norwood View Elementary School
- Oyler School
- Rothenberg Preparatory Academy
- William H. Taft Elementary School
- Winton Hills Academy

Email Katie



Austin Sandin, Program Manager

- Bond Hill Academy
- Evanston Elementary
- Hughes High School
- Mt. Airy Elementary School
- Shroder High School
- Silverton Elementary
- Westwood Elementary
- Woodford Paideia Academy

Email Austin



Courtney Burgtorf, Marketing & Communications Manager

- Glenn O. Swing Elementary
- John G. Carlisle Elementary
- Newport Intermediate
- Newport Primary
- Sayler Park Elementary

Email Courtney

MENTORS

TELL US ABOUT YOU: MENTOR SURVEY!

We want to learn more about you - our mentors! Please scan the QR Code to complete our Mentor Demographics Survey. This will provide us with more background and greater insights into the mentors volunteering in our program!

If you recently had a New Mentor Orientation, a Refresher Training, or attended the Mentor Symposium, you've done this before so please do not complete

this survey again.



WE NEED YOU!

HELP US REACH MORE STUDENTS!

There are still roughly 300 more classrooms in Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky that are in need of mentors & resources. We need your help!

Do you know of a person or a potential company that you think would make a great mentor? Would you be willing to share their information with us? If so, please scan the QR Code or reach out to **Kate McCann**, Senior Manager of Corporate Relations.



SUPPORT ADOPT A CLASS

There are many ways to support Adopt A Class! Make a one time donation, donate stock, donate by donor advised fund, become a sponsor, and more!

**Make a
Donation**

**Become a
Sponsor**

Vote for AAC with Target Circle

Voting ends September 30th! Shop Target, gather votes with qualifying purchasing through the Target Circle rewards program, vote for Adopt A Class! At the end of this voting cycle, Adopt A Class will get a portion of funds for its

votes! **Vote today!**

Help support us with Target Circle.

Vote by September 30.



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NONPROFIT PARTNER

Meet Target's rewards program

Get perks, deals & a whole lot more every time you shop with Target Circle™



Let's get started

Target Circle members can sign in to get the offer. Not a member? Sign in or create an account, then join for free.

Sign in

Create account

circle

Offers Partners Voting

Hi, Courtney!

Target Circle Member since 2022

Available Target Circle Earnings

\$0.00



Lifetime Target Circle offer savings

\$0.00



Lifetime Target Circle Earnings

\$0.00



Community Support

0 votes



Help direct where Target gives

These nonprofits have been selected based on your set store. Cast your votes for a single organization or spread the love. At the end of the voting cycle, all nonprofits will be awarded a share of the money.

View Past Campaign Results



Voting cycle

July 1 - September 30

My votes

0

Days left to vote

80

Adopt A Class Foundation



Adopt A Class partners local businesses and civic groups with students from underserved communities in Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky exposing them to a breadth of life and career readiness experiences through group mentoring.

Visit Website

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Cast 0 votes



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