



## FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

### Field Trip Transportation Update



Field Trip season is here! With only four months left of the school year, we wanted to make sure all of your transportation questions are covered. Please note that the process for planning field trip transportation depends on the mentor team's school placement and falls into three categories:

**1) School District Arranges Own Transportation:** Specific districts (e.g., Boone County Schools, Covington Independent Schools, Hamilton City School, Middletown City Schools, Oak Hills Local Schools, & Princeton City Schools) coordinate their own transportation. After confirming the field trip date and gaining school approval, the team lead works with the teacher to arrange transportation. Corporate partners reimburse the school, while civic/nonprofit partners can request transportation grant funds by contacting the AAC School Liaison.

2) **AAC Arranges Transportation:** If the school district is not listed above and the trip falls within 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM, the team lead must submit the [AAC Transportation Request Form](#) at least 30 days before the trip (**by April 15 at the latest**). The cost is **\$500 per bus**, with payment methods specified in the form. Civic/nonprofit partners can request grant funds within the form.

3) **Mentor Team Arranges Transportation:** Mentor teams can directly contact Petermann Bus or First Student if the district is not listed, the trip falls outside the 9:30 AM–1:30 PM timeframe, or they prefer to arrange transportation independently.

Field trips are enriching experiences for students and mentors alike. While they are not a requirement of our program, they are *highly encouraged*. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your AAC Liaison or email [transportation@aacmentors.org](mailto:transportation@aacmentors.org).

Thank you to all our partners for making these possible!

More field trip info here!

## Heroes Day Kickoff Session-- Tomorrow!

**JOIN US!**



## Heroes Day Kickoff Session

**Wed. 2/12/2025**

**4-5PM**

### You're Invited:

**Who:** Military, First Responder and Corporate Partners

**Where:** UC Digital Futures Building  
3080 Exploration Avenue  
Room 140 (Ground Level)

**Heroes Day returns in 2025 and we invite you to join us to start the conversation and collaborate to create a successful program.**



## About Heroes Day

On Thursday, May 1st, Adopt A Class 7th graders in Greater Cincinnati will come together to explore first responder and military career pathways. This program is designed to spark interest, explore opportunities, connect with experts, and empower decision-making by offering valuable resources to help students explore their future.

[More Info](#)



## Reminders, Updates, & Resources

### Save the Dates

**Saturday, March 15th:** Adopt A Class & Xavier University Veteran & Military Family Affairs Department happy hour at **Cappy's Norwood**

- 6:00PM-9:00PM
- \$1 of all beer and wine sales go back to Adopt A Class!
- Dewey's Pizza will be provided
- No registration needed

**Thursday, May 1st:** Adopt A Class **Heroes Day** at Lunken Airport

**Wednesday, June 4th:** Adopt A Class **Celebration Breakfast** at the Cintas Center

**Friday, June 13th:** Adopt A Class **Golf Outing** at Great Parks The Mill Course



If your mentor team created your own lesson that you'd like to offer other teams to use, please use the link below to submit your lesson so we can share with others Click [HERE](#) for an example of an activity created by our our partners at InTrust!

Join our Virtual Training!

**Thursday, February 27th 12:00PM-1:00PM**

If you're new to our program or looking for a refresher, this is for you!

Don't forget to log your visits in our Mentor Tracker! This helps Adopt A Class with grant compliance and allows us to provide YOUR company with a end of year Community Impact Report that showcases your impact in our program!

Submit Lesson!

Register Here!

Log Visit Here!

## Partner Spotlight



Since 2015, Federal Home Loan Bank has played a crucial role in mentoring classrooms at Rockdale Academy. This year, their generous donation of \$2,500 is a testament to their commitment to fostering career pathway mentorship. This funding will empower Adopt A Class to create even more opportunities for local businesses to connect with and mentor students across Greater Cincinnati. We deeply appreciate FHLB's dedication to enhancing our communities and their unwavering support in making a lasting impact!