

EDUCATION SUCCESS STORY- YOUTH MENTORING

David and Quentin* have been matched in a Rappahannock United Way-funded Youth Mentoring in Schools Program for more than five years. When they first met, Quentin was not doing very well in school. He had a hard time completing his homework and was even a bit resistant to doing his homework during the after school meetings. Quentin also got into some altercations with other children during school.

During the course of their relationship, Quentin and David have had many discussions about how to handle tough problems and frustrating situations. They have come a long way! Over the course of their match, Quentin has repeatedly made the honor roll at school, no longer gets into fights, and is active in the county's football league. He has matured into a responsible young man who believes in the importance of education and gets good grades. Quentin used to be difficult to talk with, withdrawn, and much closed off. He is now a pleasure to talk with—he smiles when he speaks, his vocabulary has expanded, and his demeanor is respectful and open. When asked about his relationship with David, he replies, "It's great!"



*These individuals are not pictured.

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