Health Career Outreach: Stevens County Mentorship 8th Grade Application

About the Program: We hope you will consider joining our Stevens County Mentorship Program designed to provide opportunities for 8th and 9th grade students to build career awareness around a range of health career fields. This program is to provide exposure to a full spectrum of healthcare careers. In 8th grade, students will engage in bi-monthly virtual and hands-on learning engagements. In 9th grade students will extend the learning through 2 semester courses paired with a final capstone project.

Where are these experiences conducted: These experiences are coordinated within the school day and are designed to serve as catalysts to keep the momentum and excitement building from 8th through 9th grade.

Mentorship: A critical component for the Stevens County Program is expanding career-connected learning through mentoring and rapport with students and community members. Each student/child will experience learning from a group of health science students or “Health Career Navigator Mentors” as we have titled THEM that represent a range of health care careers. Students will have consistent guidance to support growing knowledge, including confidence building opportunities, that helps prepare them for future opportunities. The mentoring model will also focus on intentional development of students’ personal attributes including emphasis around leadership, community-building, interpersonal skills, resilience, teamwork, collaboration and school performance.

I wish for my child to participate in the Health Career Outreach: Stevens County Mentorship Program. By opting into this program, I understand that we are committing to a two-year (8th and 9th grade) program. These opportunities will be held during the school day and will include role models, case-based learning, hands-on simulation activities, and 9th grade curriculum. All participants will need to follow Covid-19 Safety precautions during learning activities.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

STUDENT INFORMATION
Student Name__________________________________________

School ________________________________________________

Gender________ Special Needs or Learning Considerations________

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION
Parent/Guardian Name____________________________________

Parent/Guardian Phone____________________________________

Email__________________________________________________

RETURN TO

RETURN APPLICATION by MARCH 10, 2021 if interested in participating

in the 2-year program (8th and 9th grade).
**Career Awareness**

**HEALTH CARE CAREER ENGAGEMENTS**
- 2 School Engagements, 1 Campus Engagement, 1 Family Engagement
- Engagements include 15-30 Health Career Group Activities
  *ALL 7th graders Participate*

**Career Awareness**

**HEALTH CARE CAREER MODULES & MENTORS**
- 8 Hands-on Health Career Learning Engagements
- 8 Virtual Case Based Learning Modules
- Family Program Connection
- In-person & Virtual Group Mentorship via Health Career Navigators

**Career Prep**

**HEALTH SCIENCES COURSE & CAPSTONE**
- Fall Semester: Health Sciences CTE Course, CPR Certification & Community Health Advisor presentations
- Spring Semester: Health Career Research & Capstone Project
- Group Mentoring via Community Health Advisor
- Opportunity to join HOSA Future Health Professional Organization

**Career Prep**

**CAREER & TECHNICAL LEARNING COURSEWORK**
- Anatomy & Physiology Course
- Anatomy Lab Field Trips
- Leadership Development
- Academic Mentoring

**Vision for Career Launch**

**COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS & APPRENTICESHIPS**
- Professional Workplace Skills
- College Preparation
- High School Health Worker Certification
- Apprenticeships (MA, Scribe, EMT, etc.)
- Career Guidance & Mentorship
Health Care Career Program Update

Happy New Year and second semester of the school year! In Fall we sent our first Stevens County Newsletter sharing a recap of our spring 2020 engagements we experienced with your children and the excitement of launching our 8th grade program. While we had hoped to be midway through the incredible learning opportunities related to hands-on health career activities for 8th graders, the delay of launching our program due to COVID-19 has allowed us the opportunity to refine and delve even more deeply into each aspect of the program activities that will take place throughout the school day. We cannot wait for students to experience the learning soon!

Moreover, we are eager to share that we have expanded the program to continue to 9th and 10th grade! This will allow for students to delve even deeper in career exploration and experience ongoing mentorship opportunities beginning in 7th grade and continuing into high school. See page 2 to learn more about this continuum.

We hope that your child is interested in engaging in this incredible program and learning opportunity! Please stay tuned for future communications on our program launch dates. For any questions please email: stevensmentors@wsu.edu or contact Jessica Gerdes at 509-358-7823.

You Can’t Be What You Can’t See...

Through hands-on learning activities and mentorship, we are supporting development of predominant interpersonal skills including leadership, communication, intellectual curiosity, ethical responsibility, teamwork, collaboration, resiliency, and adaptability as youth explore and become aware of health careers. These skills will be an asset to any career path but are essential for future health career leaders. Learn more about our program on page 2.