

TEAM

tnAchieves

STAND WITH STUDENTS

STUDENTS THRIVE WHEN THEIR COMMUNITY IS BEHIND THEM.

Serving as a tnAchieves mentor is a simple yet effective way to **inspire students to pursue a high-quality** credential. **By investing just one hour per month**, mentors ensure a strong pipeline exists from high school through college and a gainful career.

WHAT IS THE JOB OF A MENTOR?

tnAchieves mentoring is for anyone interested in supporting Tennessee's next generation of college students. In 2025, mentors will work with students who have *asked* for the opportunity to work with a mentor, resulting in stronger connections and an amplified impact!

Roles of a Mentor

Each mentor is asked to serve three critical roles for their students:

Task Manager

Ensure students are on track to meet key post-secondary deadlines and milestones.

Resource

Answer questions as students navigate the college process.

Encourager

Be the person who says **"We can do this together!"**

Time Commitment & Expectations

Designed as a low time-commitment, high-impact experience, mentors commit **one hour per month** to supporting a group of 2-3 students who have opted-in to work with a mentor. Mentors attend one in-person meeting in Dec., Jan. or Feb. 20 and then connect via text or phone bi-weekly through September 2025.

Mentors must attend their in-person meeting or connect with the tnAchieves team to be paired with students.

MENTOR TIMELINE

- **November 15, 2024**
Register at tnAchieves.org/mentors.
- **By December 13, 2024**
View your tnAchieves Mentor Orientation.
- **December 2023 – February 2025**
Attend your tnAchieves in-person meeting.
- **February-May 2025**
Reconnect with students and ensure they file the 2024-2025 FAFSA and select a college!
- **May-August 2025**
Remind students to submit 8 hours of community service by July 1 and ensure successful college enrollment.
- **August – September 2025**
Support your students as they begin their college careers!
- **Ongoing**
Connect with students bi-weekly to maintain a connection.

MENTOR SUPPORT SYSTEM

tnAchieves provides comprehensive mentoring supports, including:

- Virtual orientation session
- tnAchieves Mentor Handbook
- Weekly emails that outline mentor and student action items, progress updates and resources.
- Monthly mentor training webinars and podcasts on subjects including:
 - Staying in contact with tnAchieves Students
 - Filing the FAFSA
 - Completing community service and the benefits of job shadowing
 - Celebrating student success
 - Preparing for college
 - And more!
- Constant access to the tnAchieves team