



Permission to Participate in the Big Brothers Big Sisters Community Mentorship Program

1. This program is run and supervised by Big Brothers Big Sisters of Franklin County (BBBSFC).
2. The goal of this program is to provide a one-to-one mentoring relationship for my child. Adults, 21+, who live in Franklin County, are enrolled as volunteer mentors and are matched with youth in this county.
3. My child will meet with their mentor either in person, through video chat/messaging or a hybrid of both, depending on safety and preference. They will connect in person 2-3 times a month on average for a few hours at a time, virtually once a week on average, or a combination of both. Schedules are flexible and I will encourage more frequent online contact if they are not meeting in person for a few weeks or more.
4. Staff from BBBSFC does not provide direct supervision during online or in person contact, and I agree to provide a private space for my child to video chat or message their mentor to help build trust and friendship. However, I agree to verbally check in with my child after every online video chat or in person meeting to ask how it went and report any issues or concerns to their mentor and/or BBBSFC right away.
5. Big Brothers Big Sisters staff will be in contact with me, my child and the mentor to discuss match activity suggestions, attendance and any issues regarding the match.
6. My child must follow all program rules, including appropriate online behavior and safe use of the internet.
7. I agree to notify BBBSFC immediately of any safety concerns or issues arising from contact between my child and their mentor.

Parent/Guardian Signature:

Date: