

2017-18 Winn Brook International Family Mentor Program

Is your family new to the United States?

We are very proud of our diverse community of students and families at Winn Brook. At the last census, in 2010, 30% of Belmont residents aged five and above spoke another language at home. Because we have such a diverse community of students and families, we are launching an International Family Mentor Program whereby we will place mentor families who have knowledge of another language and the Belmont community with families who are new to the United States.

Your Belmont mentor family will be able to provide you with important information to help you better understand how our schools and town work. This family will be available to answer your questions such as how to arrange play dates, how to sign your child up for sports teams, and what to expect from a parent-teacher conference.

Mentors and Mentees will be matched based on their language background and age of their children. The ELL teachers will support mentors and mentees by holding a meet and greet session at the beginning of the school year as well as by sending monthly emails with possible discussion topics for mentors and mentees.

If you are interested in being connected with a mentor family, please fill out the form below and return it to your child's teacher. After you fill out this form, we will contact you and provide you with the name, phone number, and email address of your mentor family. You may call, meet with, or email this family throughout the school as questions arise. We are happy to welcome you and your family to Belmont!

Questions? Please contact ELL Teachers:

Megan Marincic at mmarincic@belmont.k12.ma.us

Natalie Ward at nward@belmont.k12.ma.us.

____ Yes! My family is new to Belmont and would like a mentor family.

Parent/Guardian Name(s) _____

Parent/Guardian Phone Number(s) _____

Parent/Guardian Email Address(es) _____

Child Name(s) and Grade(s) _____

Teacher Name(s) _____

Home Language(s): _____

By signing below, Parent/Guardian agrees to provide the above information to Winn Brook for the express purpose of participating in the Winn Brook International Family Mentor Program.

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Will you serve as a mentor family to one of our new international families?

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If you are interested in serving as a mentor family for the 2017-18 school year, please fill out the information below and return it to your child's teacher. We will contact you as soon as we find an international family that we'd like to connect with you. Thank you for your interest in helping us welcome our new international families to Belmont!

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Languages spoken besides English, if any: _____

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