**Re-Imagine Mentorship Program**

In an ideal world, every child and teenager would be surrounded by strong and positive role models. However, in reality, that is often not the case. It has been proven that more too often, parents who struggle with poverty, substance addition, mental illness, domestic abuse, or lack of a support system for themselves, may not be able to be positive role models. Even in families that aren’t facing adversity, some youth may benefit from an adult outside of their family to look up to. This is where the Re-imagine Mentorship Program hopes to steps in and bridge the gap.

The purpose of our mentorship program is to expose students to positive role models. The program will work to provide avenues for students to access the professional individual in the community who will serve as mentors by giving them personal and career guidance. This program will help students:

* Increased self-esteem and confidence when dealing with people and situations that take them outside of their comfort zones
* Build confidence to challenge oneself to achieve new goals and explore alternatives
* Gain access to positive guidance
* Gain exposure to a professional network of people

This program is not only beneficial to the students but the mentors as well. Mentors will:

* Gain satisfaction of helping a student reach her academic and professional goals.
* Receive recognition for service to the community.
* Reinforce their own study skills and knowledge of subject(s)
* Increase their confidence and motivation
* Benefit from a sense of fulfilment or personal growth.