

# MENTOR LINK

GIVING & LEARNING PROGRAM • PELICAN RAPIDS

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## DEAR MENTORS:

Well, it looks like fall is upon us and I am sure that winter is not far behind. I hope that everyone had a wonderful summer because I heard it's going to be a big snow year. We'll need those warm memories to sustain us. But cold weather does not stop us at the Giving + Learning Program. Ryan Morgan and Molly Verlinde held a computer class at the library that was well attended. We hope to do more of these in the future. We are also planning an ethnic thank you dinner. More information will be coming in the mail for you to sign up and be notified on time and place.

## IDEA CORNER:

The idea for September is to take a break from the books and take a walk with your student. Check out the vibrant fall colors and have a nature discussion all in English. It may be a good time to learn a few words in their native language.

Don't forget to bring your gifts and talents with you when mentoring. One of our mentors took his student up flying for a class session. Think of the conversation they had after that. I'm sure he'll never forget that experience. I just wish I could have been there.

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

An ethnic thank you dinner will be held on November 4th at 6:00p.m. for all those involved in the Giving + Learning Program. There will be refugee and immigrant speakers giving their life experiences. It will be a dinner that your whole family can learn from and enjoy. I will also be inviting anyone else who would like to participate. As you will know, we can always use new mentors. Again there will be a flyer sent out with a sign up sheet and directions a couple of weeks before the dinner.

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As you journey along, may your heart be aglow, with each joy and pleasure that life can bestow.

## INTERPRETERS:

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Please call if you need any help with any interpretation!

## FUTURE EVENTS:

We will be having computer classes this winter at the library for anyone wanting to learn computer skills. This would include typing, e-mail, internet etc... Please pass this on to your student.

## DIRECTIONS TO GIVING +LEARNING

North of Turkey Plant 4 miles on hwy 59  
Take a right on 460<sup>th</sup> St ½ mile  
Take left on Poss Beach Rd ½ mile  
Address to house 46542 Poss Beach Rd.

I just got a new shipment of books in. Please come and see what we have that you can use with your mentoring.

## ESL CLASSES

Classes are held at the library during the day and also in the evening at the high school.

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