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BLAZE Mentoring Program Adjusts to Virtual Learning

Virtual Mentoring Sessions Offered for Continued Support of MNPS High School Students

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (October 27, 2020) – The BLAZE Mentoring Program has changed its mentoring sessions to accommodate students who are learning virtually.

In March 2020, BLAZE suspended all in-person sessions due to Covid-19. BLAZE ensured that mentoring sessions, the Scholarship Program and Community Service opportunities were still available to MNPS High School Students, by using virtual learning options.

For the 2020-2021 school year, BLAZE is offering online sessions and special “Mentor Moments” to continue engagement. These sessions range in topics from Coping with COVID to Financial Management. All sessions are accessible through links on the BLAZE Mentoring Program’s Instagram and Facebook accounts.

MNPS High School Seniors who participate in the online sessions can apply for a \$1,000 scholarship in May 2021. BLAZE awarded two \$1,000 scholarships to graduating seniors in May 2020.

In addition to the scholarships, BLAZE is offering Community Service opportunities to help students fulfill their requirements for other scholarship awards, including the Tennessee Promise. Community Service opportunities are open to anyone who would like to participate.

BLAZE is a committed community partner with PENCIL and MNPS High School Academies. BLAZE will continue to explore new ways to engage with students safely, while offering valuable resources.

To support BLAZE and/or the BLAZE Mentoring Scholarship Fund with a donation, visit <https://linktr.ee/BLAZEMentoringProgram> and click the donate button.

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The mission of the Nashville Fire Department is to provide high quality fire, medical and rescue emergency responses. The NFD also provides community support services to the citizens and visitors within Nashville and Davidson County. This ensures they can work and reside in a community where an all hazards response minimizes harm to life, property, and the environment.

Nashville Fire Department Director Chief William Swann Vision Statement:

My commitment to you is to work to make the Nashville Fire Department well-trained, progressive, and a highly respected fire department. We will continue to be committed to promoting inclusion, equality, and respect. My promise to you is to make sure we are all creating a safer community through prevention, preparedness, and effective emergency response.



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