

Peer Mentoring Class and/or Link Crew-Bruin Beginnings

Information Sheet—KEEP this for your information

First, if you only want to do **Link Crew—Bruin Beginnings Day**, it's easy! Do the following:

1. Fill out and turn in your application to Ms. Morand in room 104
2. Come to training in August right before school starts (usually that Monday)
3. Come to Bruin Beginnings

To do **the Peer Mentoring Class**, you must do the following (**Bruin Beginnings is required for class members**):

1. Fill out and attach your application to your registration form and give it to your counselor. You will not be entered into the class without an application.
2. Register for the Peer Mentoring Class at registration time
3. Come to training in August right before school starts (usually that Monday)
4. Come to Bruin Beginnings (usually Wednesday, the day before upperclassmen start)

First, **to be in the class**, a Peer Mentor must:

- **Be responsible and have good attendance!** (must show up for class and for mentoring children at Rossiter and Kessler schools)
- **Be caring**—would want to improve school climate and help others
- **Work well** with peers and adults
- Have a **good attitude** about school and life—you may not be an academic star, but you are successful at school and would make a good role model for other students
- Be a good **leader**—or have the ability and interest to become a leader
- Have a strong **work ethic**

If this sounds like you, and you are interested in the class, go ahead and sign up for Peer Mentoring during registration. We will check attendance and get teacher references. If you meet the criteria, you will be able to take the class.

○ **The Peer Mentoring class does prevention and awareness work** in dating violence, sexual harassment, Mentors in Violence Prevention (how bystanders can reduce violence) and other topics that support our school and community.

○ **The Peer Mentoring class works with elementary students** in the Bruin Buddies program with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Helena twice a week (at Kessler and Rossiter Schools) and **must commit their lunch time for travel on those two days.**

Questions?

See Miss Morand in Room 104, call me at 324-2541 or email me at: kmorand@helenaschools.org

Peer Mentoring and Link Crew Application

We are looking for juniors and seniors with a positive attitude about CHS and life, who have great attendance, who care about others, and who like kids and helping people. Does this sound like you? Join us in Peer Mentoring!

Name (print) _____ Your grade level for next year: 11 or 12 (circle)

Please write your SUMMER address, phone number and e-mail (if you have one, and only if you use it):

ADDRESS _____

city: _____ zip code: _____

PHONE #s cell: _____ home: _____

E-MAIL _____

Your t-shirt size: _____ (these are generally regular, men's t-shirts)

Please mark the one that applies to you:

_____ I am interested in the **Peer Mentoring Class and Link Crew** which puts on the **Bruin Beginnings (Freshmen Orientation)—All peer mentors are expected to do Bruin Beginnings. It is your first activity grade of the year.**
(Be sure to register for the class and attach this to your registration form.)

_____ I am interested in **Link Crew Only—Bruin Beginnings/Freshman Orientation.**
(For Bruin Beginnings only, return this application to Morand in room 104.)

I, _____ (sign name) am committed to the following:

- **One day of training** right before school starts.
- **Freshmen orientation** day.
- Possible **follow-up activities** with my freshmen during the school year.

Answer this prompt below: "Why I Want to Be a Link Leader and/or Peer Mentor" (feel free to use the back)

(Questions? See Ms. Morand in room 104 or contact: kmorand@helenaschools.org phone: 324-2541)