**How to be a GREAT Mentor**

Want to be a GREAT mentor? Here are some important things to remember as you help your student:

1. **LISTEN.** Listen, listen, listen. Students who have signed up for this program are anxiously awaiting the opportunity to connect one-one-one with you and to have your undivided attention. Be sure to listen to your mentee. Specifically, listen for what any underlying issues might be.
2. **Deliver honest feedback.** Don’t sugar coat the truth. Deliver truth in a way that is helpful and beneficial to your mentee.
3. **Motivate and inspire.** You are the leader in this mentor-mentee relationship. Your mentee will look up to you. Motivate your mentee toward success by encouraging, offering feedback, and by sharing your own practical life experience.
4. **Establish mutual respect.** Respect should begin early on with your mentee. It’s much harder to establish this later on. Be respectful of each other’s time, opinions, and personality.
5. **Be present and open.** You should be honest with your mentee as you feel comfortable. Be willing to offer guidance while remembering no two journeys are exactly the same. Remember to uphold the values