THE HEADWATERS MENTOR PROJECT
EVENTS CALENDAR
BASIC SKILLS PROGRAM

Please note: Events without dates are still works in progress, and information will be provided as it becomes available. As the Headwaters Mentor Project is still in its infancy, events are also subject to change.

If you have questions or would like to know more about any of these events, please contact:
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IMPORTANT MENTOR PROGRAM DATES

September 29th – 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. – Informational Meeting
Students interested in becoming mentors should attend this meeting to learn more about the program, our schedule, and their responsibilities as mentors

October 14th – Time TBD – Brief Orientation Meeting
Mentors will receive basic information about their mentees, get to know each other, and learn a bit about the mentoring process

October 18th – Mentor Sessions begin
After this date, mentees will be able to schedule sessions with their mentors

November 3rd – 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. – Mentor Training
Mentors MUST receive training to participate in the program. Any student who cannot attend the mentor training will need to arrange to receive training another time. Students must bring their own lunches.

SERVICE PROJECTS
All of these projects are open to the community at large! However, students who volunteer who are also participating in the mentoring program will also participate in a reflection period after the event to discuss the impact of the event, its significance, and any other observations or feelings students may have about the project.

October 23rd – 9 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. – Make a Difference Day
For our first service project of the year, our volunteers will be participating in a project with the Friends of the Cedar River Watershed. We will be planting native plants in the riparian area near Cavanaugh Pond in Maple Valley. The area was recently cleared of invasive blackberry canes to make way for the new planting. All GRCC staff, students, and faculty are encouraged to take part. Snacks may be
provided, but we recommend that volunteers bring their own food and water. We WILL be outside, and we will most likely get wet – Dress appropriately!

**January 17th – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**
Volunteers will be collaborating on comic strips or pieces of art that represent a theme: “What is tolerance?” Students will write a brief explanation of their artwork and the pieces will be on display at Uniquely Auburn, a free local event that includes performances and a free community dinner.

**Spring Quarter – GRCC Fun Run**
Volunteers will participate in the fun run to help raise money for the basic skills scholarship.

**EDUCATIONAL PLANNING SERIES**
These events will be family friendly workshops for students who need help planning their education.

**Fall Quarter: Financial Aid**
Students will learn about the FAFSA application process, available scholarships, and Running Start for high school students

**Winter Quarter: Planning your degree & choosing a school**
Students will participate in activities to help them turn personal interests into career interests and provide methods for determining which school best fits their needs

**Spring Quarter: Careers & workplace skills**
Students will be able to plan their career paths, receive information regarding common traits employers look for in applicants, and practice their interview skills

**SPECIAL EVENTS & PROJECTS**
These events will provide students with the opportunity to connect on campus and participate in unique activities.

**English Poetry Workshop:**
The event will teach students about different types of English poetry and they will be asked to write an “I Am” poem that tells the group who they are. We will be sharing these poems with a group of basic skills students from Edmonds Community College on November 4th, prior to the Artists & Speakers event featuring Dr. Maya Angelou. Students will be encouraged to obtain tickets prior to the event to provide a context for the workshop.

**Cultural Holiday Event (November) & Student Cookbook:**
Recipe submissions from students will be compiled into a cookbook, which will be sold to raise money for the basic skills scholarship. The holiday event will be a potluck, as well as an opportunity for students to share an aspect of their culture’s holiday traditions.