



Mentor Application

True2U is a volunteer mentoring program that helps Cleveland **eighth graders** explore their true selves, and prepare to make the most of high school as the first step on the path to college and career readiness.

As part of a **small group advisory team**, you'll spend 8 Thursdays this school year helping students uncover their interests and strengths, set goals, and connect these goals to the educational opportunities offered by the 37 high schools in the CMSD portfolio, setting them on a path of success in college and/or their careers.

Training and enrichment in the topics, facilitation, and cultural competency skills is provided. And you'll have the satisfaction of helping shape—and being shaped by—the next generation of Cleveland's leaders.

Application Process

Completed applications will be reviewed by staff and a personal interview scheduled. Please note, decisions to accept applicants into the program will be determined by the above as well as participation in orientation and training sessions. **The deadline to apply has been extended to Friday, September 8.**

Contact

The True2U Project Manager is Molly Feghali. You can reach out to her by phone at 216-812-8700 or via email, molly@neighborhoodleadership.org. To learn more about the program and its history, visit neighborhoodleadership.org.

Personal Information

Name _____ Phone (Home) _____

Home Address _____ Phone (Work) _____

City _____ Zip _____ Phone (Cell) _____

County _____ E-mail _____

Gender Male Female Date of Birth _____

Language(s) spoken: _____

Emergency Contact Name _____ Relationship _____

Phone 1 _____ Phone 2 _____

Initial here if you **do not** want your contact information shared with your mentor partner: _____

How did you hear about True2U? *(If referred by a mentor, please include their name.)* _____

Personal Information *continued*

Do you consider yourself more of a planner or improviser? Planner Improviser

Do you have a school, geographic, and/or Mentor partner preference? If so, please note that here:

Employment Information

Currently Employed: Yes ___ No ___ (If yes, provide name and address of company.)

Employer _____ Title _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Retired: Yes No

Education

| Level | Institution | Degree/Focus |
|--------------------|-------------|--------------|
| High School | | |
| College/University | | |
| Graduate School | | |
| Other | | |

Community Service, Clubs & Professional Organizations

Please list all clubs or organizations with which you are affiliated in the order of importance to you. (Use an additional sheet if necessary.)

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

General Information

1. Why do you want to become a mentor?
2. What experience(s) have you had working with youth?
3. What special qualities, talents, or interests do you possess that could be helpful in True2U?

Background Information

1. Have you ever been arrested or convicted of a crime? *(If yes, please explain.)*
2. Has a complaint ever been filed against you on behalf of a child with the Department of Children, Youth and Families in any state? *(If the answer is yes, please give brief details of resolution or current status.)*
3. Do you have any physical or mental conditions that may limit your ability to serve as a mentor? If yes, please tell us how our program could assist you in overcoming your condition in order to facilitate your participation in our program:

Media Release & Background Check Authorization

Media Release By signing below I consent to my image or voice being used in photo, video, or other media forms by the True2U program, or its partner organizations, for the use of training, promotional, or other program related purposes. I understand that I am not entitled to any compensation or payment for their use.

Background Check Authorization I understand that I have been recruited as a volunteer for the **True2U** program by Neighborhood Leadership Institute who will facilitate my background check through a third party provider.

I hereby release and agree to hold harmless from liability any person or organization that provides information required for the background check. I also agree to hold harmless from liability Neighborhood Leadership Institute, their officers, directors, employees and volunteers and partner organizations. I understand that by submitting this application, I authorize Neighborhood Leadership Institute to make inquiries through the Federal Bureau of Investigations and local law enforcement concerning my suitability as a volunteer mentor for the True2U Program. The information requested in this application and such as may be otherwise obtained, will be used for the purpose of assessing my suitability as a volunteer. **All information will be held in confidence.**

Applicant Signature

Date

Mentor Recommendations *(optional)*

Do you have suggestions of others who you feel would make great potential mentors? Please provide their name, e-mail, and contact phone number and True2U program staff will follow up with them.

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To Submit Your Application

Please complete this application and return it to:

Neighborhood Leadership Institute
5246 Broadway Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio 44127
Attn: True2U

You may scan and e-mail the completed and signed application to molly@neighborhoodleadership.org or send via fax, Fax: (216) 812-8709

Office Use Only: Date Received _____ Interview Date _____ Status: _____

