

State of Texas *
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County of Comal *

Proclamation

Recognizing January 2021 as National Mentoring Month in Comal County

WHEREAS, January 2021 marks the 19th anniversary of National Mentoring Month, an annual campaign focused on the need for more mentors to help ensure positive outcomes for our young people; and

WHEREAS, Comal County, Texas honors volunteer mentors who support young people by showing up for them every day and demonstrating their commitment to helping them thrive; and

WHEREAS, mentoring programs like Communities In Schools of South Central Texas Mentoring Program make our communities and our state stronger by fostering impactful relationships for young people and provide invaluable support networks; and

WHEREAS, during the COVID-19 pandemic, mentoring programs have stepped up to fill gaps for young people and families, connecting them with resources and ensuring that mentoring relationships continue virtually so being distanced physically doesn't mean social disconnect; and

WHEREAS, mentoring plays a pivotal role in career exploration and supports workplace skills by helping young people set career goals and support the professional growth of young people, and drives positive outcomes for young people and businesses; and

WHEREAS, quality mentoring promotes healthy relationships and communication, positive self-esteem, emotional well-being, and growth of a young person and their relationships with other adults; and

WHEREAS, students who meet regularly with mentors are more than 52 percent less likely than their peers to skip a day of school and are 55 percent more likely to be enrolled in college than those who did not have a mentor; and

WHEREAS, youth who meet regularly with mentors are 46 percent less likely than their peers to start using drugs and 27 percent less likely to start drinking; and

WHEREAS, National Mentoring Month is the time of year to celebrate, elevate, and encourage mentoring across our state and recruit caring adult mentors in Comal County, Texas.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Comal County Commissioners Court does hereby proclaim January 2021 as National Mentoring Month, recognizing Communities in Schools of South Central Texas for its continued support here in Comal County, and call upon public officials, business and community leaders, and educators, to encourage the citizens of Comal County to observe this month with appropriate ceremonies, activities and events that support this great program.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this the 14th day of January, 2021.


Sherman Krause, County Judge


Donna Eccleston, Commissioner Pct. 1


Scott Haag, Commissioner Pct. 2


Kevin Webb, Commissioner Pct. 3


Jen Crowover, Commissioner Pct. 4

Attest: 
Bobbie Koepf, County Clerk

