



UNITED WE SUPPORT THE EDUCATION OF OUR COMMUNITY

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Kendall meets with her mentee once a week. They eat lunch, play games, or just chat about how things are going. YSS's school-based mentoring program matches community volunteers and students in kindergarten through 8th grade with similar interests in five school districts across Story County. It is as rewarding for Kendall as it is beneficial for her mentee. This program is funded by United Way of Story County because we know mentoring programs like this have been shown to improve student attendance, behavior, and academic achievement by giving them a sense of belonging and support. All throughout our communities, students and their families are in need. Whether it is need for academic support, food security, or just in need of feeling a sense of belonging, United Way of Story County's partners are there.

Other programs funded to increase student achievement include:

- Iowa Reading Corps - a researched based literacy intervention
- Raising Readers in Story County Reading Buddies and Story Pals tutoring
- Summer food and educational enrichment programs
- YSS Kids Club and Teen Club

United Way of Story County supports students, their academic achievement and social connectedness, to help create a brighter future for all.



735 youth
were served through
United Way funded
mentoring programs
in FY21-22.

United Way fights for the health, education and financial stability of every person in every community. We have one life. To live better, we must LIVE UNITED.



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