



Big Brothers Big Sisters
of Dane County

The mission of Big Brothers Big Sisters is to provide children facing adversity with strong and enduring, professionally supported one-to-one mentoring relationships that change their lives for the better, forever.

It's simple! **School Friends** Bigs are matched one-to-one with a child and visit them at their school once per week. You and your "Little" can share in fun activities such as:

- Shooting hoops
- Reading together
- Playing a card or board game
- Doing a craft project
- Simply hanging out and talking



School-Based Mentoring Program: **School Friends**



Being a Big Brother or Big Sister is one of the most enjoyable things you will ever do, not to mention, one of the most fulfilling. You can help shape a child's future for the better by empowering them to achieve success in life. And the best part is it's a lot of fun! You and your Little can share in the kinds of activities you already like to do while developing a relationship that strengthens their confidence and aspirations.

Through the consistent individual support and guidance you provide your Little, plus assistance from a professionally trained Match Support Specialist, you can have a lasting, positive impact on the life of a child in your community.

To learn more or apply to be a School Friends Big, please call 608-661-5437 or visit our website at www.bbbs.org/danecounty



Start Something Big...

Becoming a Big Brother or Big Sister is One of the Most Rewarding and Enjoyable Things You Will Ever Do.

Eligibility for School Friends Program:

- A willingness to make a BIG difference in the life of a child!
 - Ability to get together weekly over the school year.
 - Commit to being matched for a minimum of 2 semesters (1 year), however, we prefer a 4 semester commitment (2 years).
 - Be at least 18 years old.
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Application Process:

1. Apply: The application is available on our website and asks for general information about you in addition to contact information for three references. It also gives us permission to conduct a background check.

2. Interview/Orientation: During this 30-60 minute confidential meeting with an Enrollment and Match Specialist, we will ask you to share background information and describe the activities that you enjoy. This helps us identify a Little Brother or Little Sister who will be a good match for you. You will also learn more about what being a Big is like and leave with any questions you have answered.

3. Meet Your Little: On your first day, you will meet your new Little, play and get to know each other. A Big Brothers Big Sisters Match Support Specialist will be there to answer any questions and coach you as you develop a relationship with your new Little.

School Friends Schedule for the 2011/12 School Year

LINCOLN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

909 Sequoia Trail, Madison
(near South Park St & Badger Rd)

Tuesdays: 11:55-12:30 (3rd graders)
12:10-12:45 (4th graders)
12:25-1:00 (5th graders)

RANDALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

1802 Regent Street, Madison
(2 blocks west of Camp Randall)

Thursdays: 11:00-11:30 (3th graders)
11:30-12:00 (4rd graders)
12:00-12:30 (5th graders)

WRIGHT MIDDLE SCHOOL

1717 Fish Hatchery Road, Madison
(2 miles south of UW campus)

Tuesdays: 4:15-5:15

EMERSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

2421 East Johnson Street, Madison
(3 miles east of UW campus)

Thursdays: 10:45-11:30 (K or 1st graders)
11:15-11:50 (4th or 5th graders)
11:50-12:25 (2nd or 3rd graders)

LAKE VIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

1802 Tennyson Lane, Madison
(off Northport Drive)

Wednesdays: 11:55-12:30

LOWELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

401 Maple Avenue, Madison
(off of Atwood Avenue)

Fridays: 11:10-11:50 (K or 1st graders)
11:35-12:15 (2nd or 3rd graders)
12:00-12:40 (4th or 5th graders)