



Big in Schools **QUICK FACTS**



It's Making a Difference!

Research shows Kansas BBBS success stories:

- 89% reported improved grades
- 81% reported increase in self-esteem
- 71% reported improvement in student attitude

Big Brothers Big Sisters

Big Brothers Big Sisters has been the leader in one-to-one youth-services for over 100 years with proven success in creating positive friendships that benefit children, volunteers, families, schools, neighborhoods and the community.

Proven History - Big Brothers Big Sisters is the oldest and most successful mentoring program in Kansas. Last year, more than 375 local children were matched with mentors through the Bigs in Schools program.

It Works! National studies prove that the Bigs In Schools program is making a positive difference in the lives of students.

It's Easy! It only takes 30 minutes a week over the lunch hour. So if you can spend a few hours a month, arranged around your needs and the school's schedule, you can be a Big Brother or Big Sister..

It's Fun! Mentors can help students with schoolwork, read, play games, or just talk.

It's Safe! Big Brothers Big Sisters provides case management support to coach and guide the volunteer throughout the length of the match.

It's YOU! To qualify to be a Big, you don't have to be an expert with kids or have any special skills. As long as you are willing to be a friend, you can have an enormous impact in a student's life.

**For more information or to sign up to become a Bigs in Schools volunteer
Please call our office at (785) 234-5524 or visit www.topeka.kansasbigs.org**



BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS APPLICATION For Topeka, KS

Please fill out and e-mail to:
topekainfo@ksbbbs.org

Click within the grey fields to enter, mark or select data

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Please indicate which program you are applying for:

Date:

Community-based Programs: Big Brother Big Sister Couple Match Family Match

School-based Program: Bigs in Schools

Legal First Name:		Last Name:		Birth Date:
Nick Name (if any)		Maiden name (if app)		City and State of Birth:
Present Address:				Social Security #:
City:	State:	Zip:	Race: -- Click Here -- Gender: -- Click Here --	
Permanent Address:				Marital Status: -- Click Here --
Home Phone:	Best time to call:		Spouse's Name (if app)	
Cell Phone:				Occupation:
Work Phone:	May we call you at work?		Employer or School:	
Email Address:				Church or Congregation (if applicable)
Emergency Contact:		Relation:		Squad & Rank (if app)
Emergency Contact's Address:				Hunter's Education Card # (if app)
Emergency Contact's Phone:				Drivers License #
Education level completed:				Expiration Date: State:
License Plate number:				Auto Insurance:

How did you hear about Big Brothers Big Sisters? Please be as specific as possible.

Do you know anyone else who might be interested in becoming a volunteer? Please include their phone number or email.

Have you applied to be a Big Brother or Sister anywhere before? If so list agency, address & date:

Please list names and numbers of anyone you know well, who is associated with Big Brothers Big Sisters:

Have you formally worked with children within the last three years? If so list organization, contact name and phone number:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

REFERENCES REQUIRED**PLEASE PRINT****Community-based Big Brother/Sister/Couple or Family Volunteers**

- 1 Employer
- 4 Personal References
- *High School Volunteer: please provide two school staff
- *Couples or Family volunteers at least 1 from someone who knows you as a couple & list as reference #4

Site-based Volunteers

- 1 Employer
- 3 Personal References
- *High School Volunteer: please provide two school staff

Personal references should be individuals who know you well (preferably at least **two** years). Couple References are individuals who know both members of the couple.

Complete mailing address or email address required**Please, do not list relatives!****Employer Reference****(If not employed, please provide one additional personal reference.)**

Supervisor's name		Company-Business Name		
Mailing Address		City	State	Zip
Home phone:	Work phone:	Cell phone:	Email:	

Personal References

Reference #1 name		Relationship		
Mailing Address		City	State	Zip
Home phone:	Work phone:	Cell phone:	Email:	

Reference #2 name		Relationship		
Mailing Address		City	State	Zip
Home phone:	Work phone:	Cell phone:	Email:	

Reference #3 name		Relationship		
Mailing Address		City	State	Zip
Home phone:	Work phone:	Cell phone:	Email:	

Reference #4 name		Relationship		
Mailing Address		City	State	Zip
Home phone:	Work phone:	Cell phone:	Email:	

I understand that a Kansas Bureau of Investigation and/or Police Department and/or other criminal background checks, a child abuse registry check, a motor vehicle check, court diversion check, and sex offender check will be made of my background and that all information about me will be kept confidential by Kansas Big Brothers Big Sisters. My consent to which is hereby given, which consent shall be a continuing consent to periodic record checks for as long as I am matched to a Little Brother or Sister.

I understand that my service as a Kansas Big Brother or Big Sister (KSBBBS) is voluntary and consensual and that I serve at my own risk. I understand KSBBBS Inc. assumes no liability for my well being and does not provide insurance coverage for injuries I sustain during my service as a Big Brother or Big Sister. I understand that I am responsible for providing my own insurance, including but not limited to personal liability and automobile insurance and health and accident insurance.

Signature **X** _____

Date _____