Ministry Description

Title: Kids Hope Director / Kids Hope Mentor / Prayer Partner / Celebration Coordinator

Servant Leader: Coordinator of Social Justice and Community Service

Description:

Kids Hope Director: To run the Kids Hope Program between the Church and School and to oversee all mentors and mentees.

Kids Hope Mentor: To meet with mentee one hour a week for the length of the school year. If a positive relationship has formed, (hopefully) it will last all of the elementary school years. **Kids Hope Prayer Partner:** Talks with mentor and prays weekly for the mentor and mentee. **Kids Hope Celebration Coordinator:** Assists director in organizing 2 – 3 gatherings for the mentors, mentees, and their families.

Specific Tasks:

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Skills or Attributes Required:

Kids Hope Director: Well organized, relationship with the school and church, works well with many people.

Kids Hope Mentor: Good with children, reliable, has time available during the school day **(8:40** – **3:30)**, positive, good role model & compassionate.

Kids Hope Prayer Partner: Close relationship to God and the mentor, positive and uplifting. **Kids Hope Celebration Coordinator:** Loves planning gatherings and timely and well organized.

Time Required:

Kids Hope Director: Daily monitoring of mentors and mentees. Time needed in the school too.

Kids Hope Mentor: One hour a week for the duration of the school year. Preparation may be needed outside for the one hour to prepare for mentoring session. **Kids Hope Prayer Partner:** Gives at least 1 day to talk or meet with mentor and prays for mentor and mentee.

Kids Hope Celebration Coordinator: Able to coordinate gatherings 2 – 3 times a school year.

Training:

Kids Hope Director: 3 Day Training by the Kids Hope Program Kids Hope Mentor: 1 Day Training by Kids Hope Director Kids Hope Prayer Partner: No Training Needed Kids Hope Celebration Coordinator: No Training Needed

Benefits (How does it fulfill the parish mission):

Kids Hope is a great program to help our community, school, and students. It makes our parish a more integral part of the Elburn community. Though we do not talk about Jesus, God, or the Bible with our mentors, we are acting as "Jesus with skin on." We are giving our time, companionship, support and love to children who need it.

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