

STUDENT TESTIMONIALS

"I was one of the kids they said was not going to graduate. I came into senior year and I had the best time of my life. I had friends, I had brothers with me, and I had this classroom to help me out. It made me a way better person."

Lewis S.

"It got me thinking. 'Should I be a teacher?' Wow, these kids respect me, ya know? That meant a lot at the end of the day."

Joe T.

"I didn't really have drive a year ago. But now I have all the drive in the world."

Zaria W.

"So, now I feel it's better because the kids have a black teacher to look up to ... I never grew up with a black teacher."

Michael B.



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What is Root 2 Rise?

Root 2 Rise high school students go back to a K-8 classroom for part of every school day to assist a former teacher with academic lessons and activities. They quickly become leaders as they discover their power by serving younger students in the community.

Our Root 2 Rise tutor-mentors receive academic credit toward graduation, employability skills, financial literacy training, and a stipend for their committed work.

The younger students benefit from an academic mentor and community connection, become more engaged in and excited about school, and gain a greater mastery of content.



Who Benefits?

High School Students

K-8 Students

K-12 Educators

Families

Our Community

What does Root 2 Rise offer?

Increases
Graduation Rates

Encourages
Students of Color
to Become Teachers

Enhances
Leadership Ability

Builds
Employability Skills

Strengthens
Financial Literacy

