Partners for Youth Mentoring Referral Chart: CBM vs. SBM Mentoring Programs

Partners Mentoring Programs are for youth who have experienced a degree of risk or hardship in their lives, could benefit from a trusted adult, your referral team believes Mentoring is a beneficial intervention, and *they lack access to other protective factors.* Community Based Mentoring program is for a youth who could benefit from a mentor in the community setting and School Based is for a youth who could benefit from a mentor in the school setting. Please review the website for more information for both the Community and School Based Programs.

Criteria	CBM (Community-Based Mentoring)	SBM (School-Based Mentoring)
Age Range	7–17 years	7–17 years
Parental/Guardian Consent Required	Yes	Yes
Voluntary Participation	Yes	Yes
Lack of other protective factors	✔	✔
Economically disadvantaged	✔	✔
Lack of parental or adult role models	✔	✔
Depression/suicidal tendencies/mental health concerns	✔	✔
Victim of neglect or abuse (physical/sexual/emotional)	✔	✔
History of abuse in immediate family	✔	✔
Family learning English as second language	✔	✔
Drug/alcohol use by student or family	✔	✔
Behavioral issues in combination with other factors	✔	✔
Struggles with adult relationships - over dependant on adults, defiant with adults, etc.	✔	✔
Frequent delinquency or behavioral issues/ concerns	✔	✔
Struggles with peer relationships	❌ Better for SBM	✔
Poor attendance or academic performance	❌ Better for SBM	✔
Repeated difficulties in school	❌ Better for SBM	✔

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Family member incarcerated	✔️	❌ Not ideal
Academic struggles alone	❌ Not ideal	❌ Not ideal
Risk-taking sexual behavior	✔️	❌ Not ideal
Has fathered/mothered a child	✔️	❌ Not ideal
High ACE Score	✔️	❌ Not recommended