How would you like to “Change a Life over Lunch” during the 2016-2017 school year? It is as easy as 1-2-3, “Change a Life Over Lunch” by getting involved with one of three programs - Take Stock in Children, ReadingPals, or Innovations For Learning. As a volunteer for one of these programs, you can serve as a role model to a young person at a Fort Lauderdale public school. You can provide a student the individual attention and encouragement they need to thrive. You can change a child’s life and end up getting more than you give...

Did you know that only 56% of low-income, at-risk youth in Broward County graduated high school in 2014? Become a mentor and help increase a child’s chance of graduating from high school, while helping them achieve their dream of a post-secondary education. Now is your chance to become part of the solution…

Only 57% of third grade students in Broward County passed the FCAT in reading during the 2013-14 school year. Mentor at an elementary school and help ensure that a child builds language skills at the pre-k and first-grade levels, so that they are reading at grade level by the end of the school year. Books, materials, and training will be provided. All it takes is just one hour a week!

Broward County Public Schools and Innovations for Learning are working together to bring TeacherMate and TutorMate to Broward’s kindergarten and first-grade classrooms. Help shape the future by becoming a tutor. Give 30 minutes each week to connect with a student remotely (via telephone and computer) to provide crucial supplemental help in reading, spelling, and word-building.

Ready to make a difference? Contact the Neighbor Volunteer Office at 954.828.8658, via email - NeighborVolunteerOffice@fortlauderdale.gov, or visit www.fortlauderdale.gov/volunteer.

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