MENTOR A PROVIDENCE PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT INTERESTED IN THE IT FIELD

P-TECH, which stands for Pathways in Technology Early College High School, provides access to computer science college courseware and industry experience to high school students. Tech Collective, the lead industry partner for the Providence P-TECH program, is in a unique position to offer IT professionals the opportunity to “pay it forward” to the next generation of workers.

We are very excited to invite college students to serve as PTECH mentors this year. The commitment is relatively small, less than 1 hour a week, but the payback can be huge over the course of a student’s high school experience.

WHY BE A MENTOR?
The Mentor/Mentee relationship builds over time from getting acquainted, working on essential workforce readiness skills, exploring technology, and gives students exposure to role models in the field. Mentorship this year will be entirely virtual and completely determined by the mentor’s schedule. College students are uniquely positioned to advise high school mentees on transitioning to college and opportunities to take advantage of. You will get plenty of support in the form of training, resource guides, conversation starters, etc. You will also have access to the Tech Collective community, which is full of networking opportunities to help you navigate your own post-college career!

WHY IS P-TECH MENTORING IMPORTANT FOR STUDENTS?
• Research shows that mentors help students stay in school, stay focused, and pursue their goals.
• A mentor lets a young person know that someone cares, that they matter, and can have a brighter future.
• A mentor can help a young person see the connection between what they learn in the classroom and the real world.
• A mentor can help a mentee better communicate with, and relate, to adults.

WHO ARE P-TECH STUDENTS?
Students in the Providence P-TECH program are from the local community and represent a cross section of students. Students apply to P-TECH with no academic requirements other than desire.

97% minority | 40/60 male/female | 87% low income | 100% Providence students

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