

October 2018 Grassroots Group Summary
Employment First Florida Celebrates Mentoring



In October, Christine Benes and Damien Hunte, school liaisons with the Keiser University Multidisciplinary Center (KUMDC), joined us to celebrate National Mentoring Day. As school liaisons, Damien and Christine provide mentoring services to middle and high school students with IEPs. During the October meeting they explained that mentoring is a helpful relationship based upon agreement, mutual respect, and trust. A true mentor plays a deliberate and intentional role in someone's life.

What is means for individuals with disabilities?

When you have a mentor, you have an extra person in your life to help you make decisions about education after high school and employment. They can help you find solutions and come up with new ideas. Families and individuals should locate a mentorship organization, like KUMDC, to inquire about mentoring opportunities.

Where can I find more information about the meeting?

You can find a recording of the meeting, handouts, and other resources at <http://www.employmentfirstfl.org/mentorship>. Contact sheila.johnson@umb.edu if you would like more information.

About the KUMDC

The Keiser University Multidisciplinary Center (KUMDC) is one of six regional Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System (FDLRS) multidisciplinary centers. KUMDC provides a range of services including screenings, assessments, mentoring/counseling services and interventions for children and youth at risk for or who have been identified as having complex medical, educational, emotional or behavioral problems and other risk factors for poor educational/academic outcomes. Visit them at <http://kumc.keiseruniversity.edu>.

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