

PALMA

(Proyecto Avance: Latino Mentoring Association)

What is PALMA?

A twice-weekly mentoring program that pairs University students with Latinos from the Ann Arbor area. Mentors meet one-on-one with either a child (ages range from preK-high school) to help him/her with schoolwork or an adult to help him/her with basic English as a Second Language instruction. Our primary goal is to help foster academic excellence by encouraging the students to learn and monitoring their progress. We also hope working in a university environment will promote the importance of a post-secondary education.

When and where does PALMA meet?

6 to 7:30 on Tuesday and Thursdays at the Ann Arbor District Library (located at 343 S 5th Ave).

Interested in working with PALMA?

Most of our tutors/mentors have permanent positions, meaning they work with the same student twice a week for the whole semester. If you are unable to make a commitment to work twice a week, we also frequently need substitute tutors who work with any student whose tutor is unable to attend a particular day.

Contact Us:

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For questions about mentoring Adults: adults.palma@umich.edu

For questions about mentoring PreK: prek.palma@umich.edu

Our website: For more information on Educational Resources, important PALMA dates, the PALMA handbook, etc., please visit: <http://sitemaker.umich.edu/PALMA>. We also have a ctools site which should show up when you log in if you are on our email list! Many resources are there for you as well.

Want to earn credit for PALMA? Learn about tutoring and educational inequality. Take the PALMA class! Contact ccespino@umich.edu for more information.

Stay tuned for more announcements/events. THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU DO! PALMA wouldn't exist without your wonderful efforts!