

Take Stock in Children of Citrus County

scholarships, mentors & hope

**WHAT is THE TAKE STOCK in CHILDREN PROGRAM?**

Take Stock in Children ([www.takestockinchildren.org](http://www.takestockinchildren.org) ) is a state-wide school-based mentoring program that assists in creating a brighter future for deserving youth from low-income families by providing college and vocational scholarships, volunteer mentors, support staff, tutoring, early intervention and long-term support.

Our mission is to provide deserving qualified children in our community with scholarships to college and guidance from caring mentors.

**HOW DOES A STUDENT BECOME A TAKE STOCK IN CHILDREN SCHOLAR?**

Students who qualify financially may apply for the scholarships in the 6th, 7th & 8th or 9th grades. Parents complete an application form, provide the required financial information and both student and parent write an essay about the impact of college education on their family. A committee reviews each application and scholarships are awarded based on qualifications and available monies. Applications are available on our website: [www.takestockcitrus.org](http://www.takestockcitrus.org)

**WHAT DOES EACH STUDENT SCHOLAR RECEIVE?**

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Each student who participates in the program is provided with:

* **Guidance from a trained caring mentor who meets with their mentee once a week in their school and provides guidance, support, academic assistance and a “friend” to whom they can relate.**
* A Florida Prepaid tuition free scholarship (2 years community college - 60 credit hours) through the Florida Prepaid College Foundation upon graduation from high school.

**WHAT PROMISE DOES A STUDENT SCHOLAR MAKE?**

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# Students PROMISE to:

# Maintain at least a 2.5 in each of their classes and a 2.5 or better cumulative GPA

# Regularly attend school

# Remain drug, alcohol & crime free

# Meet with his/her mentor regularly throughout their school career.

**HOW CAN OUR COMMUNITY HELP?**



***HOW CAN THE CITRUS COUNTY COMMUNITY HELP?***

# Individuals, businesses and organizations can help provide additional scholarships by making a donation to our scholarship fund.

# Monies raised in Citrus County are used for Citrus County students and are matched dollar for dollar through the Florida Prepaid College Foundation.

In addition to monetary donations, we are seeking caring adults to serve as role models and mentors for students who are active in the program.

**Contact us at our office at 352-344-0855 or check us out on our website:** [**www.takestockcitrus.org**](http://www.takestockcitrus.org)

**By becoming a sponsor or serving as a mentor, you give a child the promise of** “A Scholarship…A Caring Mentor… and Hope” **for their future and for the future of our community.**

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