

Reedsport Community Charter School

A community of learners preparing to meet the challenges of the future

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To whom it may concern,

The ASPIRE program has helped our community for many years. I was fortunate to have this program when I attended Reedsport Community Charter School. The mentor assigned helped me find my path to college and was vey knowledgeable about any scholarships that may be available. Now, as the Dean of Students at Reedsport Community Charter School, I also wear the hat of ASPIRE Coordinator. I genuinely enjoy connecting students with their mentors and watching them grow into the young adults they are becoming. Mentors are an asset to our school community and having them available is possible through this program. Without the ASPIRE program, our students, especially seniors, would not feel supported through their college application or scholarship process. This program within our school benefits seniors and exposes our middle and high school students to many services and resources ASPIRE has to offer. The mentorship is phenomenal, and the connection it brings to our students is incredible. Our seniors feel supported and like they can rely on someone to help them through uncertainty when it comes to picking out colleges or have questions about filling out the OSAC, FAFSA, or local scholarships. Not only do we rely on our mentors, but this program would not run as smoothly as it does without our ASPIRE Access specialist, Rochelle Farris. She provides our school with family engagement events for financial aid education, and how to prepare for college. She is always an email away to answer any of our questions. ASPIRE not only serves students but also encourages family education and support in career and college preparation. ASPIRE helps our students thrive, and I look forward to seeing this program grow within our district.

Sincerely,

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