



Ivymount Programs

Friendship Programs

Secrets of Friendship

This fun and engaging curriculum gives your elementary to middle school aged child the key “secrets” to making and maintaining a friendship. The curriculum explicitly teaches what a friend is, and how to differentiate a “friend” from other relationships (e.g., classmate, acquaintance, trusted adult, stranger). After determining who is a friend, students participate in engaging learning opportunities to explore how to make and maintain that friendship over time. The curriculum focuses on both explicit (e.g., how to initiate a conversation) and non-explicit (e.g., nonverbal cues that show you are interested and care, cognitive flexibility, others have different thoughts and feelings than me) social skills that are required to make and maintain positive relationships.

Friendship Mythbusters

Using a variety of fun, interactive activities, elementary to middle school aged students “bust” common misperceptions such as “friends always agree,” and “I can only have one best friend.” Students will come home with myths they have busted so that parents can support the generalization during play-dates and community based activities.

Student Profile: Students who are able to access learning through a verbal based instructional format. Language skills and cognition should be within the normative range. Generally students are able to be in grade level curriculum at school, although they may have some disparities.

Prerequisite: Often students will do this AFTER the completion of Unstuck and On Target as the Unstuck language is used extensively.

Program Length: 12 weeks

Parent Groups: No parent group. Parent resources will be provided to facilitate a home connection.

Dates: This program is not being offered in the Fall 2022 Semester. Please check back in Spring 2023