

Mentor Recruitment



(L-R) [Paul Ketu'u](#) and [Patrick Middleton](#), Class of 2021 Mentors

Mentoring a young person can be one of the most worthwhile experiences you will ever have.

A mentor is someone with life experience often aligned to the student's pathway. We offer training and support, the odd meal, as well as a chance to meet other mentors in the programme.

Our mentors enjoy the camaraderie of connecting with other mentors and knowing they are making a difference in a young person's life. Many of our student's tell us that having a mentor is the most valuable part of our scholarship programme.



Meet Miles Wallace a SEF Mentor



Over the last four years Miles Wallace (Dilworth Old Boy) has mentored two students. His students value his input and support. [Zac McKenzie](#) (Class of 2020) and [Joel Ibbs](#) (Class of 2018) Here is what they have to say about the mentoring programme.

" My involvement as a mentor under the SEF program allows me to make a small contribution to a fantastic program for boys entering university. It's a great chance to repay some of the investment Dilworth made in me over 40 years ago and I can

only encourage other people to explore becoming part of the network. As well as mentoring students, the mentor group itself is a very well connected and diverse group. It also offers an opportunity for me to engage with some people I would not otherwise meet". Miles Wallace (Staples Education Foundation Mentor).

"Miles has been an incredible mentor during my time at university. He quickly cut through all of the fluffy stuff and got to the point, outlining the things that I should truly commit myself to because he, through his own experience, knew were important and taught me not to sweat the small stuff. University can be a daunting place at first, but Miles emphasised to me the significance of picking the things that are of most importance to you and committing yourself to them wholeheartedly, which I have been able to do. This in many ways has helped me find my path through my studies and I imagine this approach will flow on into the start of my career". [Joel Ibbs](#) (Class of 2018)

"Miles is a really warm friendly knowledgeable mentor. He's been a calming directional influence". [Zac McKenzie](#) (Class of 2020)

If you or someone you know may be interested in mentoring a Staples Education Foundation student in the future, please get in touch.



Students Miles Mentors: Left Joel Ibbs (Class of 2018).



Right: Zach Mackenzie (Class of 2020)