♠ 2024-2025 Mentor-Mentee Program ♣



BIG CHANGES — ALERT

Two tiers of mentor/mentee games

WHY

First, a significant number of players in our unit are not comfortable playing in The Bridge Academy's open games. We would like gradually to increase the level at which they feel comfortable, so we will introduce a mentor/mentee game at a lower level than in previous years. Second, we have players who would like to be mentored but who have too many masterpoints (mp) to qualify as mentees under our previous structure. Therefore we will also introduce a mentor/mentee game at a higher level than in previous years. We hope to serve both groups of players.

TIER I - 250 mp mentees; 500 mp mentors

Tier I is to help less experienced players develop their game. You can be a Tier I mentee if you have fewer than 250 masterpoints. You can be a Tier I mentor if you think you are qualified and have fewer than 500 mp.

TIER II — unlimited masterpoints

Tier II is to help more experienced players develop their game. You can be a Tier II mentee with any number of mp. However, if you have fewer than 500 mp then you must also be willing to be a Tier I mentor. When we match Tier II mentees with mentors we will give priority to mentees with fewer than 500 mp. You can be a Tier II mentor if you think you are qualified and want to give back to the game.

SIGN UP

If you would like to be a mentor or mentee, please let us know by email to Michael Lavine, *mlavine@umass.edu*.

We will match mentors with mentees or you may form your own mentor/ mentee pairs. Games for Tier I mentors and mentees to play together will be the 4th Tuesday of each month, starting in **September 2024**, in-person at The Bridge Academy at **1:30** pm. Games for Tier II mentors and mentees to play will be the 2nd Tuesday of each month, starting in **September 2024**, in-person at The Bridge Academy at **10:00** am. You can play as often as you like; we hope you will play every month.

You can learn more about the program at https://www.bridgewebs.com/cgibin/bwoq/bw.cgi?club=unit191brightleaf&pid=display_page11, a page that will be updated later for 2024/25.

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SUMMARY

Tier I

< 250 mp mentees

< 500 mp mentors

4th Tuesday every month at 1:30

Tier II

unlimited mp for mentees and mentors mentees with under 500 mp will be Tier I mentors 2nd Tuesday every month at 10:00 pre-game lesson at 9:15