

## Spark Champions Can ...

- Help a young person explore potential sparks
- Affirm them when they identify a spark
- Encourage a young people to express their spark
- Provide opportunities for them to express it
- Run interference and help eliminate obstacles
- Teach and mentor
- Show up (at recitals, games, performances, plays, readings, contests, etc.)
- Connect a young person with additional spark champions

## **Talking with a Young Person About Sparks**

Watch for signs of sparks:

"You really seem to enjoy . . ."

Share your own sparks:

"When I was your age, I was passionate about . . ."

Ask open-ended questions, and then listen, listen, listen: **"What do you think your spark is?"** 



## **The Seven Essential Questions**

- 1. What is your spark?
- 2. When and where do you live your spark?
- 3. Who knows your spark?
- 4. Who helps feed your spark?
- 5. What gets in your way?
- 6. How will you use your spark to make our world better?
- 7. How can I help?