

SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS

The Board of Education recognizes that the use of volunteers strengthens school/community relations through positive participation, builds an understanding of school programs among interested citizens, and assists employees in their providing more individualization and enrichment opportunities in instruction.

Volunteers may come from all backgrounds and age groups and may include any persons willing to give their time for the purpose of helping children through planned auxiliary services. Volunteers may be involved in many facets of school operations, from mentor/tutor relationships to clerical tasks. School personnel who are responsible for tasks or projects that will make use of volunteers will identify appropriate tasks and time schedules for such activities, as well as make provisions for adequate supervision and may include in-service programs and evaluation. Volunteer service is an entirely mutually agreed commitment between the district and volunteer that either party may discontinue at any time. Volunteers will not be used to provide transportation for school-sponsored activities.

Service of volunteers may be accepted by the Superintendent of Schools, central office and building administrators, or persons designated by the Superintendent to handle this responsibility. All volunteers may be subject to the same screening procedures used for regular school employees, including but not limited to the following:

1. Volunteers may be required to provide references.
2. The district reserves the right to request information on previous criminal convictions.

The district may maintain complete records of any information obtained through any of the above procedures.

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