

## **ADDITIONS SCHOOL VOLUNTEER GUIDELINES:**

- ❖ Volunteers must maintain strict confidentiality concerning information they see and hear concerning students and staff, including students' grades, records, and abilities.
- ❖ Volunteers do not discipline students. Please report discipline problems to the teacher.
- ❖ Volunteers must always be supervised when working with students. They may not supervise a classroom or give permission for a student to leave a classroom. These are the teachers' responsibilities.
- ❖ Volunteers agree to report Child Abuse or Suspected Abuse to site administrator and the Department of Children and Families at 1.800.96ABUSE (1.800.962.2873).
- ❖ Volunteers may not give any medication to students.
- ❖ Volunteers do not diagnose student weaknesses and strengths, prescribe activities for students, or evaluate student progress.
- ❖ Volunteers' discussions with teachers should not interrupt class time.
- ❖ Volunteers are not to bring preschool children into the classroom during instruction time.
- ❖ Volunteers' comments should not be written on student papers that are to be sent home.
- ❖ Volunteers should not laugh at or belittle student answers or efforts.
- ❖ Volunteers should contact only school staff members with any concerns regarding students.
- ❖ Volunteers are assigned only to staff members who request their services.
- ❖ Volunteers should set a good example for students by their manner, appearance, and behavior, and should be well-groomed and appropriately dressed.
- ❖ Comparing and criticizing teachers and students are not acceptable volunteer behaviors.
- ❖ Volunteers should be in good physical and mental health.
- ❖ Volunteers may not hold informal parent/teacher conferences or leisure conversations with staff members or other volunteers during volunteer time.
- ❖ Volunteers may not conduct personal business at school.
- ❖ Volunteers cannot touch students in any way that is aggressive, disciplinary or sexual in nature.
- ❖ Volunteers must guard against private communications with students; (i.e. such as social media, texting, email...).
- ❖ All volunteers must sign-in and sign-out at a location designated by the principal before proceeding to their volunteer site during and after schools hours.
- ❖ All volunteers or visitors must wear an identifying nametag approved by the school's administration.