

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Policy 1425
(Form 1425)

School/Community Relations

School Volunteers

The District encourages participation of parents and citizens of the community to volunteer in the schools in order to serve as additional resources to the teachers and students.

Level I Screened Volunteers

Individuals who assist our schools on an uncompensated basis and who may periodically be left alone with students are considered “screened volunteers” under state statute. The District categorizes these individuals as Level I Screened Volunteers. These individuals, among other service providers, may volunteer to regularly assist in the school office; mentor or tutor students; coach or supervise student activities before or after school; or chaperone students on overnight trips. Prior to being left alone with students at school or school activities, Level I Screened Volunteers must have a clear criminal records check from the State Highway Patrol and Federal Bureau of Investigation as well as the Missouri Child Abuse and Neglect Registry. The volunteer will pay for any costs incurred in obtaining such record checks. Screened volunteers may have access to students’ educational records where necessary and when supervised by a staff member.

Level II Screened Volunteers

Level II Screened Volunteers are those individuals who are not left alone with students at school or school activities. These individuals may interact with small groups or individual students while under the supervision of a District employee. Volunteering as a classroom tutor, reading buddy, field trip chaperone, or Watch D.O.G. may be examples of opportunities in this category. Level II Screened Volunteers must obtain a criminal records background check from local law enforcement as well as the Missouri Child Abuse and Neglect Registry prior to beginning volunteer service. The volunteer will pay for any costs incurred in obtaining such record checks.

Level III Volunteers

Level III Volunteers are those individuals who assist school staff with events and activities such as field days, class parties, book fairs, PTA dances, etc. Individuals assisting the school in this capacity must follow the same protocol as any other school visitor.

Application for Volunteer Service

Level I and Level II Screened Volunteers must complete an application for volunteer service and may be interviewed prior to beginning volunteer service. (Form 1425). The District reserves the right to deny individual applicants where the best interests of the educational program are served.

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