



POLICY 124 -- VOLUNTEERS

1. Purpose

The Board recognizes the vital role that community, parents and family play in the education of the student. The district is committed to working with the community, parents and family of students in order to ensure that everyone has an opportunity to become involved in the education of the children of the District and to ensure the safety and well being of our students.

2. Authority

The Board recognizes that the responsibility for each student's education is shared by the school and the family and acknowledges that schools and families must work as knowledgeable, cooperative partners to effectively educate all students. To this end, the Board supports community involvement in roles as volunteers within the District.

3. Delegation of Responsibility

Each building principal will develop and implement a system for tracking volunteer activities in his/her building. All clearances will be maintained on file at the district administration office. The district administration office will also monitor tracking of volunteer activity in the school buildings.

4. Requirements

Act 34 and Act 151 Clearances are required for all volunteers wishing to accompany students on off-campus activities such as field trips, overnight trips or participate in any activity with students when no teacher is present.

Volunteers who participate only in in-school activities such as class parties or a classroom activity with a teacher present physically in the classroom are not required to have clearances.

It is the volunteer's responsibility to pay any fees required to receive clearances, the District will not be liable for any fees.

5. Expiration

New clearances will be required if there is no volunteer activity for one entire school year.

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