

# Parent Volunteer Involvement

## DEFINITION OF PARENT INVOLVEMENT

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The term "parent involvement" includes several different forms of participation in your child's education and with the schools. Parents can support their children's schooling by attending school functions and responding to school obligations (parent-teacher conferences, for example). They can become more involved in helping their children improve their schoolwork--providing encouragement, arranging for appropriate study time and space, modeling desired behavior (such as reading for pleasure), monitoring homework, and actively tutoring their children at home.

Outside the home, parents can serve as advocates for the school. They can volunteer to help out with school activities or work in the classroom. Research shows that "the more intensively parents are involved in their children's learning, the more beneficial are the achievement effects. This holds true for all types of parent involvement in children's learning and for all types and ages of students".

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES FOR 2006-2007 SCHOOL YEAR

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Student \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Parents,

Most experts will agree that children whose parents actively participate in their education do better in school. Make this school year fulfilling for you as well as fun for your child by getting involved! Please check the days and times, you are available to volunteer below.

Time Available	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
First					
Second					
Third					

\*If you have checked a box you will be contacted by Mrs. Slater as to how, when and where your help will be needed. If you find yourself free and did not sign up, please do not hesitate to call. If you have any questions about volunteering contact me at [jslater@sacredheart.org](mailto:jslater@sacredheart.org) or I will be available before or after school. Thank you for supporting your child's learning.

**Confidentiality:** any information, academic or otherwise, that a volunteer has access to because he/she is a volunteer is completely confidential. Individual children, teachers, classroom procedures, etc. can never be the subject of outside discussion.

# In the Classroom

- Help with hands on activities
- Assist with science
- Share a Book/Read to students
- Assist with art and craft integrated lessons
- Assist with Math Centers
- Assist with Reading Centers/phonics program
- Share information about your occupation (describe)
- Share information about your hobbies (describe)
- Share information about your travel experiences
- Share information about a country or cultural heritage