

Grandparents for Education School Volunteer Application

Date of Application ____/____/____

Mission Statement: “Grandparents for Education is an organization of volunteers designed to provide schools and school children access to caring and supportive actual and honorary grandparents and to provide opportunities for these volunteers to engage in meaningful activities in a school setting. Grandparents for Education will bring experience, knowledge, and serve as role models, as well as bringing another facet of the community to support education. This organization will enhance cross-generational partnerships through active involvement in schools leading toward student success and safety.”

If you need assistance, please contact Linda Breyer at 507-390-4468, or email: lindabreyer@hughes.net

Name: _____ Birth date: _____ (MM/DD)

Address: _____

Phone (h): _____ (c): _____

E-Mail Address: _____

How do you prefer to be contacted: Phone _____ Email _____ Text _____

How do you prefer to receive the GFE newsletter: Email _____ Mail _____

Anti-Discrimination Statement: Grandparents for Education is a non-profit organization in the State of Minnesota and is required to adhere to an anti-discrimination policy. Grandparents for Education does not discriminate against any employee, volunteer, or any other person on the basis of race, color, cultural heritage, national origin, religion, age, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, physical or mental disability, political affiliation, source of income, veteran status, or any other status protected under local, state, or federal law in admission to, participation in or receipt of the services or benefits of any of its programs and activities whether carried out by Grandparents for Education directly or through, contractors, vendors or other services arranged by Grandparents for Education. This policy extends to all personnel decisions, terms and conditions of employment and provision of services. Grandparents for Education does not tolerate harassment for any reason. Respect for the dignity of others shall be the guiding principle for our relations with each other.

If you are comfortable following this policy when you are representing and volunteering for Grandparents for Education, ***please initial here:*** _____

School(s) I would like to be a volunteer at: _____ **No Preference**

___ Lincoln ___ McKinley ___ Washington ___ Wilson ___ Willow Creek ___ Junior High ___ High School

___ I will help at other schools for special occasions.

___ I am in need of transportation (we provide SMART passes)

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Day(s) of the week I would be able to come into the school to assist:

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

Time(s) I would be available: AM PM Before School After School

How did you hear about our organization? _____

Are you a member of either of these organizations? RSVP Thrivent

Please indicate which items from the following lists you would be interested in doing to help the students, teachers, or staff. This list constantly changes as the needs of the schools change. Some activities prefer a volunteer who can come at a scheduled daily/weekly time.

We offer an orientation to all members at least once a year typically at the beginning of the school year and there is on-site training provided for you at the schools.

When entering the schools, each volunteer must sign-in/sign-out and write in detail what your activity was. To sign-in at the elementary schools go to the main office. At OHS, you can sign in at the front door. At OHS you sign in at the front desk. The sign in sheet is yellow with our logo on a clip board. If no sheet is available or the office closed, please call Linda at 507-390-4468.

Grandparents for Education Current Service Directory (*Please check all that apply to you*).

Interests

- Assist in Special Events (book fairs, proms, concerts, theatre, homecoming, etc.)
- Help 1st week of school (Be visible in halls to help students, help students get on, off bus, etc.)
- Assist in Reading Programs (accelerated reader testing, reading groups, read to/listen to students read, etc.)
- Assist in Math (help study island math program, correct math tests, help do math, etc.)
- Help with English Language Learners
- Assist with before/after school programs (homework, activities, chess, etc.)
- Help with World Passport program
- Assist in Art Department
- Assist in judging student project (science fair, foods, etc.)
- Assist with computers
- Assist with woodworking

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- Assist in horticulture
- Help in Family and Consumer Science Classes
- Help with OMS Renaissance Program
- Help with activities outside of classroom (Parent/Teachers conference, helping foreign exchange students)
- Assist with Testing (MCS testing – hall monitors, NWEA reading and math)
- Lunchroom help in all elementary schools
- Assist with hearing and vision screening
- Assist with Blood Mobiles
- Assist with Athletic events
- Help in the office and library (may be summer work)
- Do home projects (teachers request, sewing, cutting stars for the theatre)
- Chaperone Class Field Trips
- OPTIONS: A program that allows students to explore what they are interested in through projects, mini classes and job shadowing. NOTE: Your sign in sheets are at the Options Dept.
- STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math): Approach learning from intergrading content while emphasizing problem solving and collaboration.
- TATE (Teens and Ager Together for Education): A program that helps students who are at risk in reading and math at OHS with a volunteer and a student..
- Culture Fest: a celebration of different cultures held every year at Wilson elementary on the 4th Saturday in Sept. Activities involve setting up, working at, and tearing down the GFE booth
- Help with GFE promotions such as homecoming, fundraising, events, help in office, etc.

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Skills

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Accounting | <input type="checkbox"/> Education/Training | <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arts & Crafts | <input type="checkbox"/> Electrician | <input type="checkbox"/> Photography |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Athletics | <input type="checkbox"/> Event Planning | <input type="checkbox"/> Project Management |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carpentry | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Relations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cooking | <input type="checkbox"/> Grant Writing | <input type="checkbox"/> Videographer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Data Entry | <input type="checkbox"/> Graphic Arts | <input type="checkbox"/> Website Design/Dev |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Handyman | <input type="checkbox"/> Writing |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Legal | |

Person to contact in case of an emergency? _____

Please send this application form to:

Grandparents for Education, PO Box 1085, Owatonna, MN 55060

We recommend that you make a copy of this application to keep for your records.

When your application has been received, GFE will contact the school for a background check. The school will contact TRUSTED EMPLOYEES, who handle background checks. They will be emailing you a form to fill out, please return. Once this is completed, you will be able to volunteer in any school.

We look forward to having you as a Grandparent for Education Volunteer.

Do you have a life experience that you would like to share with the students? Special travels, surviving a war, etc.:

For Office Use Only

Background check to AD Office: ___/___/_____

___ Background Approved

___ Background not Approved