

VOLUNTEER ASSISTANCE

Duties of Volunteers

Volunteers may assist certificated personnel in the performance of their duties, in the supervision of students, and in instructional tasks which, in the judgment of the certificated personnel to whom the instructional aide is assigned, may be performed by a person not licensed as a classroom teacher. These duties shall not include assignment of grades to students. (Education Code 45343, 45344, 45349)

Volunteers may supervise students during lunch and/or breakfast periods or may serve as nonteaching aides under the immediate supervision and direction of certificated personnel to perform noninstructional work which assists certificated personnel in the performance of teaching and administrative responsibilities. (Education Code 35021, 44814, 44815)

Volunteers may work on short-term facilities projects pursuant to Governing Board policy and administrative regulation.

Qualifications of Volunteers

Volunteers providing supervision or instruction of students pursuant to Education Code 45349 shall give evidence of basic skills proficiency. (Education Code 45344.5, 45349)

A person who is required to register as a sex offender pursuant to Penal Code 290 shall not serve as a volunteer instructional aide or as a volunteer nonteaching aide under the direct supervision of a certificated employee. (Education Code 35021)

The Superintendent or designee shall verify by reasonable means that persons serving as volunteer instructional aides and nonteaching volunteer aides are not required to register as a sex offender pursuant to Penal Code 290.

No volunteer shall be assigned to provide supervision or instruction of students unless he/she has submitted evidence of an examination to determine that he/she is free of active tuberculosis. Volunteers who test negative shall thereafter be required to take a tuberculosis test every four years in accordance with Education Code 49406. (Education Code 45106, 45347, 45349, 49406)

The Superintendent or designee may exempt from tuberculosis testing requirements those volunteers who serve less than a school year and whose functions do not require frequent or prolonged contact with students. (Education Code 49406)

Volunteer Facilities Projects

All volunteer facilities projects shall have approximate start and completion dates and must be approved by the principal in advance. Projects approved by the principal shall also be approved in advance by the Superintendent or designee and be supervised by an appointed district employee.

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The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that volunteers possess the appropriate license and/or have sufficient expertise appropriate to the project. He/she shall also ensure that such projects comply with building and safety codes and other applicable laws and collective bargaining agreements. The district shall provide on-site assistance and supervision for such projects as necessary. Projects shall be inspected upon completion to ensure that the work was done satisfactorily.