

SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS

The Holmdel Township Board of Education encourages volunteers of the community who are especially qualified because of training, experience, or personal characteristics to take an active part in school affairs.

At the discretion of the Superintendent or designee, volunteers may be invited to act as advisors both as groups and individually in:

- A. Clarifying the general ideas and attitudes held by residents regarding school;
- B. Determining the purposes of courses of study and special services to be provided for pupils, evaluating the extent to which these purposes are being achieved by present practices;
- C. Giving active assistance to the professional staff in the actual operation of classes and services where the Superintendent and staff deem such aid valuable;
- D. Offering suggestions on a specific situation or set of closely related situations about which the Board must make a decision; and/or
- E. Coordinating the delivery of social services to pupils.

Community volunteers who will be in contact with pupils on a regular basis must meet all relevant State requirements. Volunteers for **extra-curricular** activities must be approved by the Board of Education after their assignments have been defined. The Board also requires a criminal history record check for all volunteers at the Board's expense. In accordance with statute, the Board shall reimburse volunteers only for the cost of the criminal history record check. No volunteer shall have any interest, financial or otherwise, or engage in any business or professional activity that is in substantial conflict with any district funded program.

The Superintendent shall supervise the development of programs and procedures to enlist community participation in school events and in deliberations of the Board. He/she shall keep on file information for all volunteers including, but not limited to, name, address, phone number, and documentation that requirements of law have been fulfilled.

The Board, Superintendent, and the staff shall give appropriate consideration to the advice which they receive from individuals and community groups interested in the school, especially those individuals and groups which have been invited or created to advise them regarding selected situations. The Board, Superintendent, and staff shall use their own best judgment in arriving at decisions.

The Superintendent shall report to the public on all aspects of community support of the educational program.

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