



Volunteers Needed!



Research suggests that family involvement in a student's education is an important factor in bolstering student esteem and raising student achievement. Volunteer engagement dramatically increases the overall effectiveness of the school's educational programming.

Bear Creek Community Charter School's charter (contract) with the Wilkes-Barre Area School District requires parents to volunteer at least two hours per month during the school year.

Volunteer hours must be documented by the School, and we have made it easy for parents to document volunteer hours using the Parent Portal. Parents can complete the Volunteer Hours form by selecting Forms, followed by Volunteer Hours Record. These can be found under the Volunteer Program section. These forms should be completed and submitted no later than the 10th day of each month for the prior month's volunteer activities.

Detailed information can be found in the Student/Parent Handbook, or on the School's web site at www.bearcreekschool.com

Volunteer Requirements: All volunteers must complete and submit a Volunteer Application (found in the Parent Portal) as well as Pennsylvania State Police Criminal Background Check and a Pennsylvania Child Abuse Clearance. Visit the school's website at www.bearcreekschool.com and select "Parents" to learn more about the volunteer application and clearances that are required. If you lived outside the state of Pennsylvania within the past ten years, an FBI Criminal Background Check is also required.

Monthly volunteer opportunities will be shared via email, social media, and our website. Your dedication to supporting our community school through volunteerism is essential to our success. Thank you for your dedication to our school.

Please forward any questions to Larissa Soroka.
larissa.soroka@bearcreekschool.com



Look at all the opportunities on the
next page!





November

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



- Grab and Go Breakfast Cart** - (You can sign up at any point in the year.)
Please arrive at 7:45 a.m. Being on time is important as students begin to arrive at 8:00 a.m. Volunteer responsibilities include helping students fill their bag with the items they select, such as napkins, milk, fruit, juice, etc. At the conclusion of breakfast (approximately 8:35 a.m.) you will close up the cart and return it to the Food Service staff. One (1) hour of volunteer time can be logged in Parent Portal.
- Lunch Monitor**- (You can sign up at any point in the year.)
Please arrive at 10:30 a.m. This opportunity includes assisting younger students at lunch, such as opening milk cartons, prepping silverware, assisting with dressings and condiments, and assisting the school's staff assigned to Lunch Duty. Your responsibilities conclude at Noon. One and a half (1.5) hours of volunteer time can be logged into Parent Portal.
- K-Kids/Builders Club**- (You can sign up at any point in the year.)
Volunteers are needed to assist with the preparation of materials and/or as an aide during the meetings. If interested, we will add you to the volunteer email list.
(K-Kids: Nov. 20th, 3:30p.m)(Builders Club- Nov.21, 3:30 p.m.)
- Teacher Assistant**- (You can sign up at any point in the year.)
Volunteers are needed to assist teachers with their classroom.
At home- If you are unable to come in to assist, work can be sent home to prepare there. Duties can be cutting, stapling, crafts, sorting, and more.
In School- Assisting teachers with projects, hikes, or activities. (Volunteer time is entered in increments of .25 hours.
- Dungeons and Dragon Club with Mr. Whymark**- (November 14 & 21, December 5 & 12, January 2 & 16)
Come after school to assist Mr. Whymark to assist his DnD Club with middle schoolers. Volunteers do not need to have experience with DnD but it would be more helpful if you do have some experience. More information can be found on his school website.

Do you have another idea to help our school and students?
Feel free to email Larissa.Soroka@bearcreekschool.com with your ideas.

**** If you have already signed up for one of these opportunities from last month, I already have you on the list. There isn't a need to sign up again.**

THANKFUL



Did you know you can get volunteer hours for coming to the PTO meeting?
Plus, the PTO has their own separate set of volunteer opportunities!
Come to the next PTO meeting to learn more.

Second Wednesday of each month.

November 13th, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m.



If you are interested in supporting our school and doing any of the above volunteer opportunities, please fill out the below link.

<https://tinyurl.com/volunteerBCCCS>

