



# Darlington Elementary School

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Dear Darter Families,

As we prepare for the Patriot Program, support students with math facts acquisition, and managing the condiments station in the cafeteria, we are looking for volunteers to support our students.

Please complete the attached application form and return to school with your child by October 20<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers will be notified of their schedule by October 27<sup>th</sup> and will begin the week of October 30<sup>th</sup>.

Please make note of the following procedures:

**SIGN-IN** Please be sure to sign in and pick up a site badge to wear during your volunteer service at the school site. When you sign out, please return the badge. For your safety and the safety of our students, it is important that we know who is on campus at all times.

**DEPENDABILITY** Volunteers should always be prompt and reliable. If you cannot make your scheduled shift, please notify the staff as soon as possible. If you are going on vacation, advance notice is always helpful to staff. The work you do is important. Staff and students look forward to and depend on your volunteer assistance.

**RESTROOMS** Staff restrooms are available for volunteers. **Do not use** student restrooms or accompany students into the student restrooms.

What a Volunteer Does	What a Volunteer Does Not Do
Praises and encourages	Berates or belittles
Tells the child good things about themselves and how hard they worked	Acts in a cold or indifferent manner
Tries to understand how the child feels	Criticizes the teacher
Commits to regular attendance	Fails to call and let school know you are going to be absent
Speaks directly to teacher about any concerns regarding student performance	Violates confidentiality by passing on information to the community
Builds caring and supportive rapport	Gets physical with a child
Is considerate of teachers' time	Loses control and says something that is inappropriate or might be regretted
Makes a difference in a child's life	



## Volunteer Interest Application

Parent Name	
Student(s) Name	
Best Phone Contact Number	
Best Email Contact Address	

Please select one day and time to volunteer by circling the time slot that you are most available to volunteer.

I am available to volunteer on	I am available to volunteer at this time:	I am available to volunteer at this time:
Wednesdays	8:30-9:00	12:30-1:20
Thursdays	8:30-9:00	12:30-1:20

- The dates/times you choose will be honored.
- Volunteers might not be assigned to work with their own children or child's class.
- It is possible that assignments will shift based on the needs of the school.