

# **Volunteering Opportunities**

The American Section would not be the same without the time and talent of our volunteers! There are many opportunities to be a part of the American Section Community and get involved. It is a great way to meet new friends and experience American culture and traditions. Volunteering is an investment in the future of the students, and what better cause to invest in than that of our own children! As our veteran parents will tell you, the more you put into the Section, the more you get out of it. **A volunteer information meeting will be held in the fall and if you are interested, please contact Kim Murphy, Volunteer Leadership Coordinator.** 

Here are some of the important volunteer opportunities available during the school year:

#### **Homeroom Parent**

Would you like to get involved in being a parent representative for your child's class? Homeroom parents are the link of communication between the American teachers and the class families.



#### Halloween

Your child is never too old to partake in American Section Halloween festivities! The Lower School Halloween parties at the Lycée and Ecole Schnapper are fun-filled events where the children dress in costume and play games with their friends. For Middle School students, a Halloween Dance is held at Marcel Roby with a contest for best costume.

There are lots of opportunities to help set-up/ decorate, chaperone the event, or assist in cleaning up. And yes, parents dress up too!



#### **Lower School Art and Library**

Helpers are needed for assistance in weekly Lower School Art and Library classes. Children enjoy seeing their parents in the classroom, and parents get a chance to experience class time. Art and Library are held alternate weeks at the end of one school day a week for an additional 45 minutes at the Lycée and during the lunch break at Schnapper.

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#### **Board of Trustees**

Get involved in section governance and run to be a member of the Board of Trustees.

All American Section parents are encouraged to attend the AGM (Annual General Meeting) in November and keep abreast of the Board activities by reading ASALink, the Section's weekly newsletter.



# **School Dances**

Middle School students (6ème through 4ème) have two dances a year – one for Halloween and the other in the spring. *Troisièmes* are treated to a Snowball dance in the winter as well as to the Junior Prom in the spring. *Secondes* enjoy their own dance party on a *peniche* in the spring.

Volunteers are needed to choose themes, decorate, organize music and chaperone.



## **Club International**

Representatives from each of the international sections at the Lycée meet monthly to organize several school-wide events throughout the year. Funds raised from these events are used to finance projects benefiting all Lycée students, even on satellite campuses.

The **Holiday Sale** features handcrafted holiday-themed items and typical cultural cuisines. Are you creative and enjoy working on crafts? Your ideas and skills are welcome! Host a workshop in November or just participate in one. At the end of the school year, the Club International hosts the school fair, **Lycée en Fête**, featuring cultural cuisines and games. We need lots of volunteers during these events to man our booths and help with set-up and clean-up.



#### Soccer

The Lycée International is proud to have a weekend soccer program for all ages and sections. The American Section soccer teams are entirely managed by a dedicated group of parent volunteers.



## **Social Events for Parents**

There are two social events for parents to get together without the kids: the first is our annual gathering for a traditional potluck dinner, and the second a cocktail party which is held every two years to both enjoy each other's company and show Lycée International employees and local politicians the Section's appreciation for their support and work at the school. Parents are invited too!

Neighborhood Gatherings are a series of local community get-togethers providing opportunities to meet families in your area. If you are good with a computer and enjoy working in Excel, then you might enjoy managing emails and grouping families together!

Interested in being a part of the dynamic team which organizes one of these events? Help with planning the theme, decorations, and managing parent volunteers the day of the event. If you love planning parties, this is for you!



# Fundraising

Every year the American Section holds a fundraising Gala event with silent, live, online auctions and raffles. Funds are used to finance targeted improvement initiatives. A team of dynamic people organize this important fundraiser. Are you good at writing or editing? Your skills in creating descriptions for auction items are needed. Enjoy procurement? A team of parents obtains donations from local businesses for the auction. Once the donations are received from businesses and classes, a team of parents packages them for the auctions and raffles. Contact us to find out more about how you can contribute!



## Volunteering questions? Would you like to get involved?

Contact volunteer@americansection.org or ask your question on the American Section Parents Facebook page.