

Parkland School District Volunteer Application

Applicant Name:(please print) _____ Email Address: _____

Applicant Address: _____ Phone Number: _____

In accordance with Pennsylvania law, a volunteer working with school age children within a public school district is required to complete a PA Criminal Records clearance and a PA Child Abuse clearance. An FBI Fingerprint Record clearance may also be required if the volunteer has not been a resident of PA for the last 10 years as of the date of this Application.

IF YOU ARE A NEW VOLUNTEER TO THE PARKLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT, YOU NEED TO HAVE BACKGROUND CLEARANCES THAT ARE DATED WITHIN THE PAST YEAR. ONCE APPROVED ON OUR VOLUNTEER LIST, BACKGROUND CLEARANCES WILL BE GOOD FOR FIVE (5) YEARS.

Under Pennsylvania law [Child Protective Services Law (23 Pa.C.S. §6344(c)) and/or School District Policy (Policy 916), a volunteer is not eligible to serve as a volunteer if the volunteer has been named in statewide database as the perpetrator of a founded report or has been convicted of certain crimes within specified periods preceding the date of the PA Criminal Records clearance. School District Policy 916 incorporates provisions of the School Code (which apply to employment eligibility criteria) and makes them applicable to volunteers [24 P.S. §1-111(e) & (f.1)]. Although the School Code and Child Protective Services Law include substantially the same exclusions for service, they are not identical. Policy 916 shall be applied to give effect to both laws. In the event of any conflict between the laws, the most restrictive law shall apply to exclude a volunteer for service.

There are six (6) statements set forth below. Statements 1-4 relate to the eligibility requirements for a volunteer; Statement 5 is your acknowledgement of your duty to report any arrest or conviction of certain offenses and the consequences of failing to comply with this duty. Statement 6 is your acknowledgement of having reviewed a copy of Policy 916 (related to Volunteers) and Policy 806 (related to Child Abuse). After you have read each statement, you must either place a check mark or an X inside the box if you agree with the statement or leave the box blank.

Statement Number 1

I have never been convicted of one or more of the criminal offenses set forth below or convicted of an equivalent crime under the laws or former laws of the United States **or one of its territories or possessions, another state, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico or a foreign nation, or under a former law Pennsylvania.**

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| • Chapter 25 (relating to criminal homicide) | • Section 4302 (relating to incest) |
| • Section 2702 (relating to aggravated assault) | • Section 4303 (relating to concealing death of child) |
| • Section 2709.1 (relating to stalking) | • Section 4304 (relating to endangering welfare of children) |
| • Section 2901 (relating to kidnapping) | • Section 4305 (relating to dealing in infant children) |
| • Section 2902 (relating to unlawful restraint) | • A felony offense under section 5902(b) (relating to prostitution and related offenses) |
| • Section 2910 (relating to luring child into a motor vehicle or structure) | • Section 5903(c) and (d) (relating to obscene and other sexual materials and performances) |
| • Section 3121 (relating to rape) | • Section 6301(a)(1) (relating to corruption of minors) |
| • Section 3122.1 (relating to statutory sexual assault) | • Section 6312 (relating to sexual abuse of children) |
| • Section 3123 (relating to involuntary deviate sexual intercourse) | • Section 6318 (relating to unlawful contact with minor) |
| • Section 3124.1 (relating to sexual assault) | • Section 6319 (relating to solicitation of minors to traffic drugs) |
| • Section 3124.2 (relating to institutional sexual assault) | • Section 6320 (relating to sexual exploitation of children) |
| • Section 3125 (relating to aggravated indecent assault) | • The attempt solicitation or conspiracy to commit any of the offenses set forth above |
| • Section 3126 (relating to indecent assault) | |
| • Section 3127 (relating to indecent exposure) | |
| • Section 3129 (relating to sexual intercourse with animal) | |

Statement Number 2

I have never been convicted of an offense consisting of any of the following:

- (1) An offense graded as a felony offense of the first, second or third degree, other than one of the offenses enumerated under Statement Number 1 above, if less than (10) ten years has elapsed from the date of expiration of the sentence for the offense. (See School Code 24 P.S. §1-111(f.1)(1).
- (2) An offense graded as a misdemeanor of the first degree, other than one of the offenses enumerated under Statement Number 1 above, if less than (5) five years has elapsed from the date of expiration of the sentence for the offense. (See School Code 24 P.S. §1-111(f.1)(2).
- (3) An offense under the Vehicle Code (relating to driving under influence of alcohol or controlled substance) graded as a misdemeanor of the first degree, if have been previously convicted of such an offense and less than (3) three years has elapsed from the date of expiration.

Statement Number 3

I have never been convicted of a Felony offense under The Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act, or convicted of an equivalent crime under the laws or former laws of the United States or one of its territories or possessions, another state, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico or a foreign nation, or under a former law of Pennsylvania.

Statement Number 4

I have never been identified as a perpetrator of child abuse in a founded report by a local, county or state child welfare agency. (See Child Protective Services Law 23 Pa.C.S. §6344(c)(1)).

Statement Number 5

In accordance with law, I agree that I will notify the School District in writing within 72 hours if I am arrested or convicted of a criminal offense listed above or if I am named as a perpetrator of an indicated or founded child abuse report. A failure to report may be subject to prosecution for a misdemeanor of the 3rd degree and denial of the volunteer position. (See School Code 24 P.S. §1-111(i)(4); Child Protective Services Law 23 Pa.C.S. §6344.3(g)(1)). The attached Notice to Report Offenses explains which offences are reportable. The attached form must be used to report the offence.

Statement Number 6

I acknowledge that I have reviewed Policy 916 (related to Volunteers) and Policy 806 (related to Child Abuse) (available on line at www.parklandsd.org and/or hard copy through the Human Resources Department) and agree to abide by the provisions of the Policies.

By signing this form, I certify under penalty of law that the statements made in this form are true, correct and complete. I understand that false statements herein, including, without limitation, any failure to accurately respond to the above Statements 1-5 shall subject me to criminal prosecution under 18 Pa.C.S. §4904, relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

Applicant's Signature _____

Date _____

Print Name _____