

# POLICY

Churchville-Chili Central School District

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Community Relations

## **SUBJECT: SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS**

The Board of Education recognizes that the use of volunteers strengthens school/community relations through positive participation, builds an understanding of school programs among interested citizens, and assists employees in providing more individualization and enrichment opportunities in instruction.

Volunteers may come from all backgrounds and age groups and may include any persons willing to give their time for the purpose of helping children through planned auxiliary services. Volunteers may be involved in many facets of school operations, from mentor/tutor relationships to clerical tasks. School personnel who are responsible for tasks or projects that will make use of volunteers will identify appropriate tasks and time schedules for such activities, as well as make provisions for adequate supervision, in-service programs, and evaluation. No volunteer shall be permitted to have unsupervised direct contact with students.

Volunteers will not be used to provide transportation for school-sponsored activities without Board approval. Volunteers shall serve without compensation or employee benefits except for liability protection under the District plan.

Volunteer Athletic coaches will complete a coaching application and be accepted by the Board of Education. Literacy volunteers will complete a literacy volunteer application and be accepted by the literacy volunteer program coordinator.

All volunteers are required to act in accordance with district policies, regulations and school rules. Any staff member who supervises volunteers may ask any volunteer who violates district policies, regulations or school rules, to leave school grounds.

Each Building Principal shall be responsible for maintaining a current and complete list of all active volunteers and their assignments for the current school year.

Volunteer Protection Act of 1997,  
42 U.S.C. §14501 et seq.  
Education Law §§3023 and 3028  
Public Officers Law § 18

NOTE: Refer also to Policy #6540 -- Defense and Indemnification of Board Members and Employees.

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