

Volunteer FAQ'S:

1. Who is required to have a background check?

In addition to all employees, background checks are required of volunteers, adult and community education instructors, student teachers, and PTO volunteers. Generally, anyone who will spend time on a campus interacting with students is required to have a background check.

2. What exactly is being checked?

The Background Check is a criminal history check prospective volunteers authorize the District to conduct when they complete the volunteer application. Once you fill out a volunteer application through App-Garden, the information submitted is input into government databases to check for misdemeanor and/or felony violations.

3. How long does the process take?

Background checks can take 3-4 business days so please submit your form well in advance of the event or activity for which you plan to volunteer.

4. How frequently must I have a background check?

The volunteer application and subsequent background checks will be conducted annually. Volunteers will be notified by email when and if they need to apply again.

5. What happens if I don't pass the background check?

You will be notified by email if you fail to clear the background check. If this happens, you will not be able to volunteer for some/all duties you applied for.

6. What kinds of offenses will disqualify me from being a volunteer?

Different volunteer positions have different requirements. Generally, the more serious the offense, and the more recent the offense, the more likely it is that you will not be able to serve as a volunteer.

7. I don't have Internet access, can I use a paper application?

Applications are online only. Computers are available in Human Resources to sign up as a volunteer if you need.

8. Who do I contact with questions?

Please contact Hope Coburn at hcoburn@fisd12.net if you have any questions or issues with the application.

9. Where is the link for App-Garden?

[Apply Here](#) Click link here to be directed to application form.