



# Classroom Cooking Volunteer

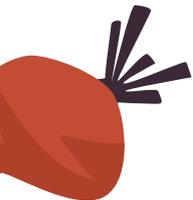
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# What is the Classroom Cooking Volunteer?

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- The classroom cooking volunteer coordinates a cooking lesson for a small group of students based on the teacher's schedule.



# Key Responsibilities

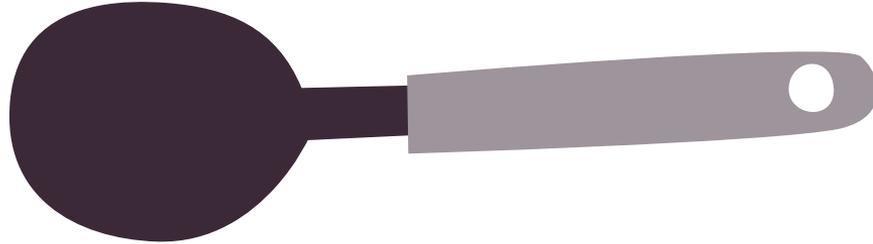
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- Planning of recipes
- Cleaning up after cooking time
- Cooking safety
- Handwashing before cooking
- Knowing student allergies
- Aligning cooking with current or upcoming classroom activities
- Reserving Room 10 if different than the scheduled time
- Management of your cooking groups behavior
- Coordinating a budget for materials with the teacher from class enrichment funds
- Asking for food donations, when appropriate, for cooking activities (Example: You need 1 egg for a recipe. Rather than buying a whole container, you may ask a parent to donate it.)



# Volunteer Resources

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- Room 10 cooking tools
- Items available in your garden bed
- 5210 teacher representative and curriculum
- Kindergarten - Exploration binders and lesson plans
- Coordination with the garden parent to use fresh items from the garden

# Helpful Information

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- Each recipe can highlight and/or focus on a special skill or food item
- Check in with teacher about making connections to content areas
- Make a cookbook of recipes taught throughout the year that can be shared with families
- Plan for donations at least 2 weeks ahead of the lesson

# Tips for Working with Students

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- Manage small groups
  - Use a signal to get attention
  - Set expectations for your time together
  - Give each group member a role
  - Encourage positive behaviors by incorporating choices
  - Visual cues can minimize interruptions
  - Allow for a quick reflection of how things went at the end of your time together.
  - Consult with teacher if challenges are being experienced





# IMPORTANT TIPS

## Connect

Connecting with other Cooking Volunteers can help you with ideas. You can view a list of Cooking Volunteers on Konstella

## Collaborate

Partnering with the Gardening Volunteer can help you plan recipes that incorporate items from the garden!

## Check-In

A regular check-in with the classroom teacher will ensure you are always in the know!

## Confidentiality

In your role, you will have conversations that may include sensitive details about students and families. It is important to respect their privacy. Only speak about students or families with the classroom teacher or the school administration.