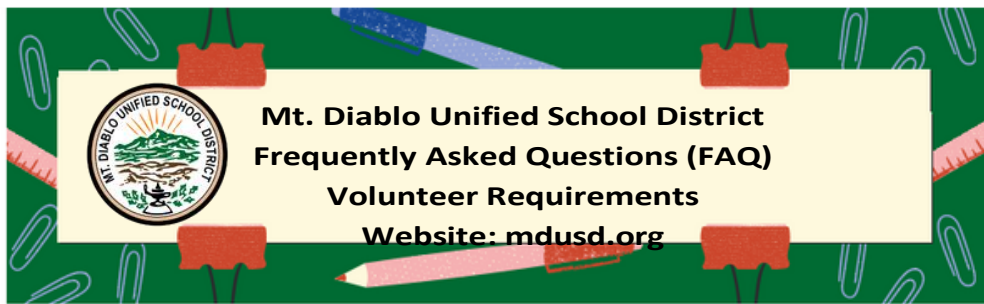




**Q: What is the process to register as a parent or community volunteer?**

**A:** All volunteers must be cleared by Mt. Diablo Unified School District (MDUSD) before they can begin volunteering. To start the clearance process, please visit our [Volunteer webpage](#) and complete the required forms.

**Q: Why does the District have these volunteer requirements?**

**A:** As required by Mt. Diablo Unified School District Board Policy [MDUSD Board Policy 1240](#), all volunteers must complete fingerprint-based background clearance and provide the necessary documentation (including the Volunteer Request Form and TB clearance) before serving at school sites. These requirements are in place as a safety measure to ensure appropriate screening of all adult volunteers. They also provide a systematic method for tracking adults who volunteer on our school campuses.

**Q: Do parents need to register as volunteers?**

**A:** Yes, parents are required to register and be cleared by MDUSD if they plan to volunteer in any capacity. This includes, but is not limited to, serving as a classroom aide, school support volunteer, chaperone for field trips or athletic events, driver, or an overnight chaperone.

**Q: What type(s) of clearance do I need to volunteer at a school?**

**A:** As of July 1, 2025, MDUSD has three levels of volunteer clearance:

Level 1 – Limited Volunteer: May volunteer up to two times per year.

Level 2 – General Volunteer: Cleared for all school events, but not authorized to drive students.

Level 3 – Volunteer Driver: Cleared for all events, including transporting students.

Choose the appropriate level based on your expected involvement.

**Q: Can I bring my other children when volunteering on a field trip?**

**A:** No. Siblings or other children are not permitted during field trips, per Administrative Regulation [AR 6153](#).

**Q: What types of school events do NOT require volunteer clearance?**

**A:** Volunteer clearance is generally not required for events where students are accompanied by their parents or guardians, or for events that do not involve direct supervision or interaction with students. Examples include Open House, Back-to-School Night, student performances, parent-teacher conferences, award ceremonies, and meetings or community events organized by the Parent Faculty Club (PFC), Parent Teacher Association (PTA), or Education Foundation Affiliates.

**Q: What types of Parent Faculty Club (PFC)/Parent Teacher Association (PTA) or Education Foundation Affiliate Meeting or Education Fund-sponsored events do NOT require clearance?**

**A:** Events hosted by outside organizations typically do not require MDUSD clearance. Examples include international nights, movie nights, school carnivals, athletics, theater and music performances, speech and debate events, and robotics competitions.

**Q: Do adults attending Parent Faculty Club (PFC)/Parent Teacher Association (PTA) or Education Foundation Affiliate meetings on campus need to be cleared volunteers?**

**A:** No. Clearance is not required for adults attending on-campus meetings or events during the school day that do not involve direct interaction with students, such as PFC meetings.

**Q: Do adults meeting with the Principal or school staff on campus need volunteer clearance?**

**A:** No. Volunteer clearance is not required for meetings with school personnel, as these do not involve direct contact with students.

**Q: Why is TB clearance required for volunteers?**

**A:** In accordance with Mt. Diablo Unified School District [Board Policy 1240](#) and as required by [California Education Code EC 49406](#), all volunteers must provide evidence of a negative tuberculosis (TB) clearance before beginning service. The TB clearance must be dated within the past 60 days and include the volunteer's name, test date, results, and provider information.

**Q: Can I complete a TB Risk Assessment Waiver instead of taking a TB test?**

**A:** Please consult with your healthcare provider to determine whether a risk assessment waiver or TB test is appropriate for you.

**Q: Who is responsible for the cost of TB testing?**

**A:** Volunteers are responsible for any costs associated with obtaining TB clearance through their medical provider. Please refer to the [Volunteer Handbook](#) for a list of recommended providers.

**Q: I'm an MDUSD staff member and also a parent/caregiver. How do I show proof of TB clearance to volunteer?**

**A:** If you're an MDUSD staff member who would also like to volunteer, please email [volunteers@mdusd.org](mailto:volunteers@mdusd.org) and request to be added to the volunteer master list. Be sure to include the name of the school where you will be volunteering.

**Q: Why is a background check required for all volunteers?**

**A:** In accordance with Mt. Diablo Unified School District [Board Policy 1240](#) and [California Penal Code 11105.3](#), all administrators, employees, and regular volunteers of youth service organizations are required to undergo a background check. This process helps ensure student safety and prevents individuals with a history of child abuse from participating.

**Q: Who pays for the background check?**

**A:** Volunteers are responsible for the cost of [Live Scan fingerprinting](#), which is required to conduct background checks through the California Department of Justice and the FBI. Details and provider information are available in the [Volunteer Handbook](#).

**Q: I've already been fingerprinted for another organization. Do I need to do it again for MDUSD?**

**A:** Yes. Live Scan fingerprinting is organization-specific. MDUSD does not have access to fingerprint results from other agencies or employers. You must complete fingerprinting specifically for MDUSD in order to volunteer.

**Q: Do MDUSD staff need to be fingerprinted again to volunteer?**

**A:** No. MDUSD staff do not need to be re-fingerprinted to volunteer. The district will use the fingerprint clearance already on file from your employment.