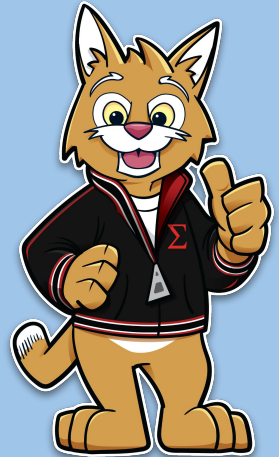


2026-27 Edison Volunteer Orientation

Partnering for Student Success



Today's Agenda

- Why Volunteer?
- Ways to Volunteer
- Keys to Helping
- Levels of Volunteer Participation
- The Application Process
- PFO & Parent Advisory Meetings
- Resources & Key Contacts

Why Volunteer?

For Students

- Boost academic success
- Build stronger home/school connections
- Increase sense of belonging

For Teachers

- Reduce non-instructional workload
- Allow additional time for planning and direct teaching
- Provide a network of support

For Families

- Meaningful opportunities to engage
- Offers insight into the school programs
- Strengthens relationships

Ways to Offer Support

On Campus

- Supporting communication (Parent-teacher conferences, attending events)
- Classroom support
- Participating in parent advisory groups: SSC, GATE, English Learner, Special Education
- Chaperoning field trips
- Supporting the PFO

At Home / Virtually

- Prepping materials
- Donating to your student's classroom
- Participating in parent advisory groups: GATE, English Learner, Special Education
- Supporting the PFO

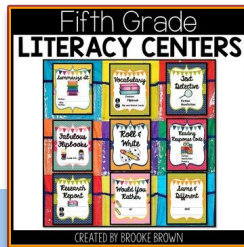
Examples of Activities



Working with
small groups



Cutting,
copying, and
collating
materials



Preparing
learning
activities



Supporting
students
*(without doing the
work for them)*

And more!

Keys to Helping



- Build rapport and show interest
 - Encourage every student
 - Practice patience and kindness
 - Support learning without doing the learning
 - Maintain focus on instruction
 - Field trips - communicate and support
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Volunteer Responsibilities

- Ask for help when unsure (e.g., using copy machines)
- Respect student privacy and protect confidential information
- Share concerns only with appropriate teachers or staff
- Allow certificated teachers to handle all discipline, grading, and evaluations
- Remain in approved areas and wear identification badge
- No recording-capable wearable devices are permitted

Levels of Volunteer Participation

Visitor vs. Volunteer

Visitor

Remains under immediate staff supervision

- ❖ Examples: awards assemblies, meetings, parent-teacher conferences

Volunteer

Has an ongoing assigned role and/or direct student contact.

Volunteer Levels

LEVEL 1

Supervised student contact under immediate control of staff.

LEVEL 2

Field Trip Chaperone - potentially outside immediate supervision of staff; Additional requirements

The Application Process & Requirements

1

Submit a completed volunteer application annually through the Raptor Volunteer Management System.

2

Provide a valid California Driver's License/California ID/Identification Attestation and a proof of address.

3

Clear a Megan's Law check and Raptor ID scan.

4

Provide negative tuberculosis (TB) clearance (valid for four years).

5

Level 2 volunteers must complete Mandated Reporter Training.

- *More information coming*

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Office clears application and notifies teachers and applicants of approved volunteers.

Mandated Reporter Training

Core Training Mandates (*coming soon*)



- **NEW Mandatory Participation:** Required for all **Level 2 volunteers** (Field Trip Chaperones), as mandated by **SB 848**.
- **Prompt Reporting:** Volunteers must promptly report suspected student welfare concerns or safety issues.
- **Compliance:** If a situation requires reporting, volunteers must follow the procedures provided in the training and any related District direction.
- **Service Timeline:** Must be completed **prior to beginning** volunteer service for applicable levels.

Getting Started

Teacher Responsibilities

- Receives the list of cleared parents
- Matches activities with available volunteers
- Contacts volunteers to coordinate

Volunteer Responsibilities

- Wait for the teacher to arrange a specific time
- Sign in at the front office using the Raptor system with your ID
- Wear your Raptor-generated visitor badge at all times
- Stay in your assigned area

PFO: Parent Faculty Organization

Support

Volunteer-led group supports all Edison students

Events

Coordinates school events and fundraising

Community

Builds community through family engagement

Meeting Information

Time: 6:00 pm via Zoom

- August 21 (Parent mixer)
- September 24
- October 15
- November 12
- January 28
- February 18
- April 8
- May 13

Contact PFO

Email Address:

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PFO 2026-27 Annual Calendar of Events

Popcorn Fundraiser

August 13 - August 16

Tower Buzzers Edison Game

Sunday, August 23

Book Fairs

Week of November 16 & Week of March 22

Annual Dance

Friday, March 12 @ 6:00 pm

Parent Mixer

August 21 @ 5:00 pm



Trunk or Treat

Friday, October 23 @ 5:00 pm

Giving Tuesday Fundraiser

November 23 - Dec. 6

Read-A-Thon Fundraiser

March 1 - March 28

Parent Advisory Meetings 2026-27

All meetings are scheduled to begin at 3:00 p.m. • Babysitting is provided.

School Site Council

Sep 9, 2026
Mar 3, 2027
Apr 21, 2027
May 12, 2027

Special Education Advisory Council

Aug 27, 2026
Jan 21, 2027
Apr 8, 2027

English Learner Advisory Council

Sep 3, 2026
Feb 18, 2027
Apr 15, 2027

GATE Advisory Council

Aug 20, 2026
Feb 4, 2027
Apr 7, 2027

Resources & Key Contacts

Key Contacts

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After carefully reviewing the information on the previous slides, please write this code on your volunteer application before submitting it to the office: **26BOBCATS27**

Thank You for Making a Difference!

Your time, energy, and heart matter to our students!

