



Adopt-a-School Program

Program Overview

The Adopt-a-School Program is a year-long, supported approach to developing partnerships between schools and their network of supporters, specifically business and community organizations. This program is grounded in the belief that all partners can play a pivotal role in accelerating student and school success.

Program Benefits

- For schools: The unique skills and resources of your partner will enhance your students' experiences and strengthen school initiatives.
- For partner organizations: Partnering with a school will give your organization a shared sense of purpose as you positively impact the lives of students.

Program Commitments

The partner will, over the course of the school year:

- Provide monetary or in-kind support for the campus totaling \$500 or more
- Provide a total of 50 or more volunteer hours
- Publicly share partnership activities through newsletters, social media, etc.



In return, the school will recognize the campus partnership through:

- Feature on the campus website
- Mentions in campus newsletters and social media
- Recognition at end of the year awards



FAQS

1. Do all BISD schools participate in the Adopt-a-School Program?

While we hope all BISD schools will see the benefit of the program, participation is optional.

2. How are schools matched with partners?

Partners are asked to complete an [interest survey](#) and given the opportunity to select a partner. If no preference is listed, then matches will be based on factors such as location, school need and estimated level of participation.

3. May the school recruit their own partner?

Yes, schools are encouraged to expand existing relationships and create formal partnerships.

4. What types of organizations are encouraged to join?

Any organization, group or business that is interested in more than a one-time touch point with a school is encouraged to apply. All supporters- from local community groups to large businesses- are critical to our schools' success.

5. Are there any special requirements in order for partners to be on the school campus?

Yes. Members of partner organizations who will be on campus or interacting with students will need to complete a volunteer application. This can be done through our volunteer platform at <http://bastropisd.voly.org>.

6. Are there any restrictions on partnership activities?

Yes. Adopt-a-School partners may not actively solicit business from teachers and staff while on campus or via email. Branded materials are permitted.

7. What happens if a partnership isn't working out?

While we hope this wouldn't be the case, a partner who is having issues may reach out to the Director of Community Relations at ktrevino@bisdtx.org or 512-772-7174 for support and/or mediation.