



Volunteer Orientation

A photograph showing two hands, one younger and one older, with their fingers interlaced to form a heart shape. The background is white with a faint watermark.

Volunteers and School working together to support learning!

Who can become a BPS Volunteer?

Just about anyone!

- Moms & Dads
- Stepmoms & Stepdads
- Grandparents
- Aunts & Uncles
- Neighbors
- Business Employees
- High School Students
- College Students



Why would I want to volunteer?

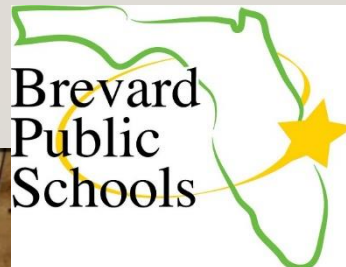
Research shows that students with involved parents tend to earn higher grades, get better test scores, have better social skills, fewer absences, better behavior, and are more likely to complete high school than students whose parents are not involved in their school.



What can Registered Volunteers do?

Registered Volunteers can help in the classrooms and around any of Brevard Public Schools.

They are also able to work one on one with students and attend in-county and out-of-county field trips.



How do I become a BPS Registered Volunteer?

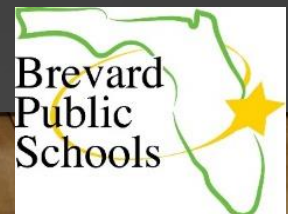
- Complete the Volunteer Application at:
- <https://tinyurl.com/BPSVolunteerApplication>
- Be sure to enter your name EXACTLY as it appears on your valid driver's license or state issued ID card.



- AFTER RECEIVING THE CONFIRMATION EMAIL, GO TO THE BPS/EDUCATIONAL SERVICES FACILITY – OFFICE OF DISTRICT AND SCHOOL SECURITY FOR FINGERPRINTING AND PAYMENT.
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- Cost – \$35.00 / Annual Renewal Fee \$8.00
- Payment by credit or debit card ONLY
- Bring valid driver's license or state identification card.

**Fingerprinting:
Office Hours
Monday – Friday
8:00 am – 4:30 pm**



Volunteer FAQs

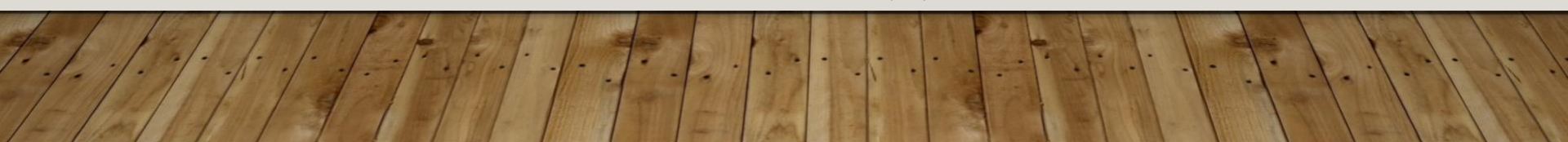
Why do I have to become a BPS approved volunteer to help?

To ensure the safety of our students and the security of our school campuses, all Brevard Public Schools volunteers are subjected to a full criminal background check prior to approval.

How can I find out if my volunteer status is still valid?

Contact Mrs. Mostowski to determine if your volunteer status is still valid. The best way to contact her is via email at: Mostowski.jessica@brevardschools.org

If your volunteer status has expired, please visit the District's website for the online application.



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I have a security clearance for my job. Can those fingerprints be utilized for this purpose?

The State of Florida does not have a shared database that would allow access another agencies employee fingerprints.

Does the clearance expire? How often do I have to renew?

As of the 2020-2021 school year, volunteers will need to renew each year. (Annual renewal fee is \$8.00)

VOLUNTEER GUIDELINES

- Please be sure to sign IN and OUT on the computer in the front office as a VOLUNTEER, not a Visitor.
- Be sure to wear the yellow badge provided so it is visible at all times while on campus.
- Volunteers must follow the school's dress code. No clothing that is revealing, contains inappropriate messages or have visible undergarments.
- Volunteers can not discipline students or dispense medications. Contact school staff for any issues.
- You must keep student information and behavior confidential.

VOLUNTEER GUIDELINES

- Volunteers may not bring children with them while volunteering. It is a disruption and a liability.
- Volunteers should contact a teacher before going to a classroom to help. They will schedule a time for you to come in.
- Volunteers can not grade papers or handle confidential data.
- No weapons of any kind may be brought onto the schools' campus.

Ways that Volunteers can help:

- Help teachers with classroom projects.
- Help with activity teachers.
- Help with school wide events and activities.
- Mentor students in need.
- Read to students.
- So much more!!



How do I find out where and when volunteers are needed?

- You can check with your child's teacher
- Watch for emails with the subject: "Viera Elementary – Volunteers Needed"
- Watch our official Facebook page and website
- Email Jessica Mostowski: Mostowski.jessica@brevardschools.org

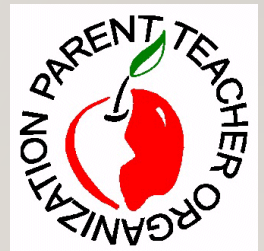


Viera PTO

Our PTO will need help with various events and fundraisers throughout the year.

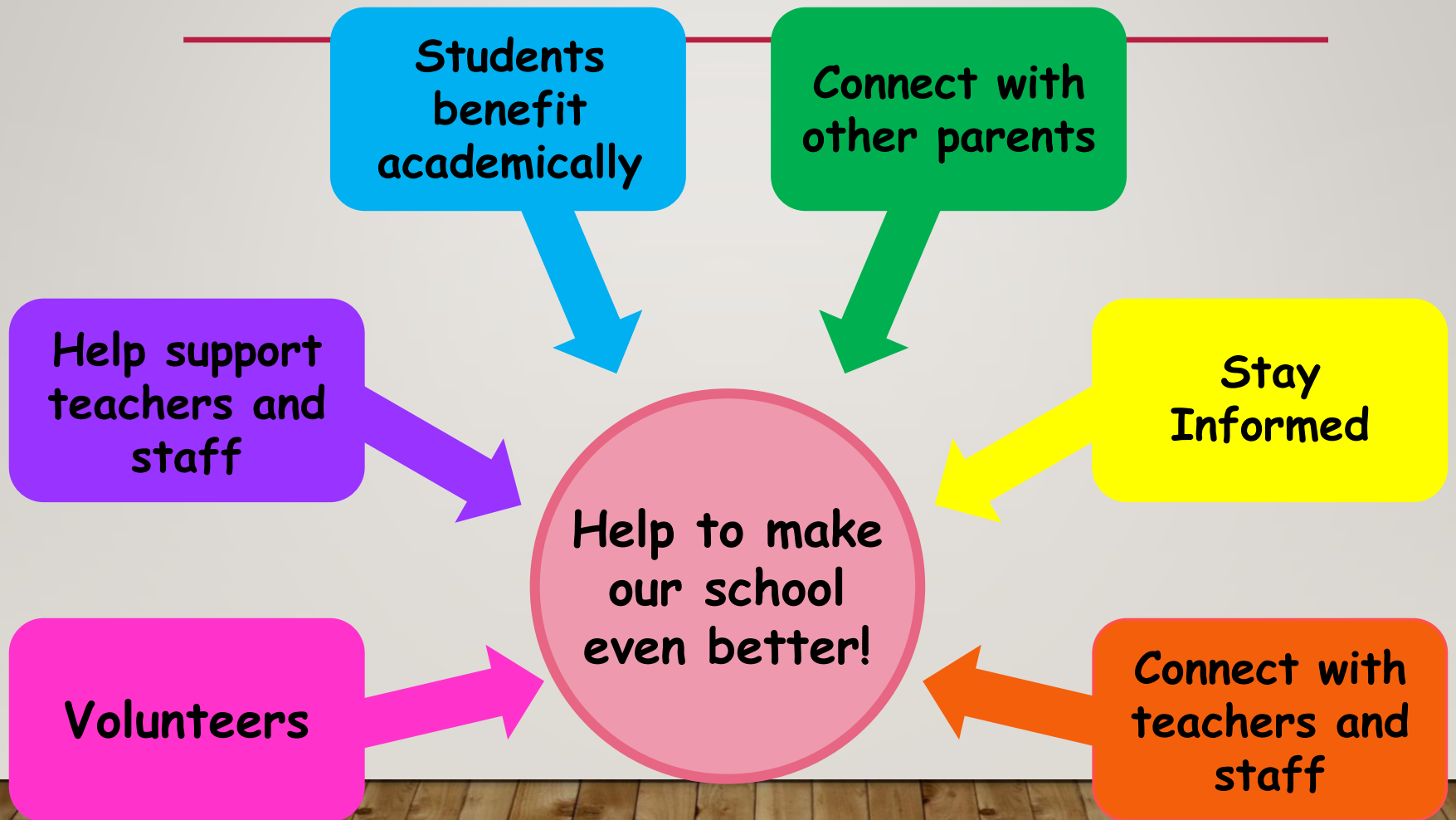
A few of the PTO needs are:

- Counting out fliers for spirit nights
- Distributing fundraiser items to classrooms
- Filling fundraising orders
- Decorating for events
- Committee members for different community building events
- Yearbook Committee



**PTO Executive Board members are also needed.
Please let us PTO know if you'd like more information.**

Why Join our PTO?





Being a volunteer doesn't mean you have to be at school every minute, every day or even every week.

You choose how often you want to help.

You decide what you want to help with.

Every little bit helps in a **BIG** way!

Pass it on!

Do you know a friend, grandparent, neighbor, or anyone else that may want to volunteer? Please have them contact Mrs. Mostowski

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Thank you for the generous gift of
your precious time and your heart!

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