## Community Volunteer Packet



# Volunteers in Public Schools





#### Dear Community Member:

We are pleased that you are interested in becoming a Volunteer in Public Schools, also known as the VIPS Program at Waller ISD. Volunteers participating in Waller ISD make a valuable contribution to the education of our students. The research about parental and community involvement is amazingly clear that students who have this support perform better in many school aspects. Every bit of help counts.

Your willingness to step forward and provide assistance to Waller ISD during these rapidly changing times will bring great rewards to our students, our schools and to yourself. As our students and schools improve, you will gain new skills and meet new people as you participate in different areas and events at Waller ISD.

#### The process for becoming a volunteer in the VIPS Program at Waller ISD includes:

- presenting a valid ID card to be scanned by our visitor background scan software
- completing the Background Check Authorization form
- signing a Volunteer Oath
- a complete volunteer application

After you successfully complete this process and are approved, you will receive an email from Virtual Volunteer (V-Soft system) with your login information. A campus representative will notify you of the next steps to volunteer in our schools.

If you have any questions about how to become a volunteer in the VIPS Program, please contact your campus receptionist.

We look forward to working with you.

Adela Cornejo

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Bilingual Community Relations and

Communications Coordinator, Waller ISD





#### **Volunteer Code of Conduct**

(This document defines the District's expectations for all school volunteers)

#### As a volunteer, I agree to abide by the following code of volunteer conduct:

- 1. Immediately upon arrival, I will check-in at the main office or the designated sign-in station.
- 2. I will wear volunteer identification as required by the school.
- 3. I will use only adult bathroom facilities.
- 4. I agree to never be alone with individual students who are not under the supervision of teachers or school authorities.
- 5. I will not contact students outside of school hours without permission from the students' parents.
- 6. I agree not to exchange telephone numbers, home addresses, e-mail addresses or any other home directory information with students for any purpose unless it is required as part of my role as a volunteer. I will exchange home directory information only with parental and administrative approval.
- 7. I will maintain confidentiality outside of school and will share with teachers and/or school administrators any concerns that I have related to student welfare and/or safety.
- 8. I agree to not transport students without the written permission of parents or guardians or without the expressed permission of the school or district.
- 9. I will not disclose, use or disseminate student photographs or personal information about students, staff or others.
- 10. I agree to follow the District procedures for screening of volunteers.
- 11. I agree to notify the school principal immediately if I am arrested for any misdemeanor, felony, or sex, drugs or weapons related offense.
- 12. I agree to only do what is in the best personal and educational interest of every child with whom I come into contact.





#### **Volunteer Oath**

I understand the need to maintain confidentiality regarding information that I might have access to regarding students, families, and staff as I volunteer in the schools.

I understand that I am not to discuss individual student progress or behavior with any other person other than school personnel.

I understand that if I violate school confidentiality rules, I will be asked to terminate my volunteer service.

I have been given the Volunteer Code of Conduct, and I agree to follow it at all times or cease volunteering immediately.

Pursuant to Senate Bill 9 (effective 9/19/2007) of Texas Education Agency, I understand that if I am not a parent, grandparent, and/or guardian of a Waller ISD student, a single-event volunteer (e.g. festivals), or a volunteer who is accompanied by a teacher on a field trip; Waller ISD is required to conduct a criminal history review and reserves the right to receive and review any records maintained by any law enforcement agency.

I hereby declare to follow the Volunteer Code of Conduct and strictly adhere to the Volunteer Oath that I have taken. I also declare that all statements in the Volunteers In Public Schools (VIPS) application are true and accurate.

Print Name	Email address		
Signature	Date		

Please return to a campus near you or to Adela Cornejo, Waller ISD Bilingual Community Relations and Communications Coordinator, at 2214 Waller Street, Waller, TX 77484.





#### Waller ISD Volunteers In Public Schools (VIPS) Application

(Please Print)

Name:						
	First	Middle Initial	Last			
Home Address:	Street					
	Street	City	Zip			
Home Phone #:		Cell Phon	e #:			
Email Address:						
Employment:						
	Company	Name	Phone Numb	er		
Name and phon	e number of a po	erson to contact in case	of emergency:			
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Signature			Date			

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Human Resource Office: 2214 Waller Street, Waller, Texas 77484 Phone: 936-931-0308 Fax: 936-372-9151 e-mail: mbrooks@wallerisd.net

### Background Check Authorization Form (Form will be forwarded to HR for processing)

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** Date of Birth	**Social Security Nun	nber**Gender	**F	Race

\*\*CONFIDIENTIAL - INFORMATION TO BE USED FOR CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECKS ONLY

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LIST ALL COUNTIE	S AND STATES OF RES	IDENCE (since 10 years ag	go):	
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In connection with my application for employment, my continued employment, or in connection with my desire to engage in volunteer activities, I have been advised and I hereby consent and authorize the Employer and its agent, at any time during or subsequent to my application process, to conduct an investigative consumer report that may include, but are not limited to, a criminal record check, employment and education verifications, personal references; personal interviews; my personal credit history; and driving record. I hereby affirm that all information provided in this form is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, and understand that any deliberate falsifications, misrepresentations, or omissions of fact may be grounds for rejection of my application or dismissal from subsequent employment. I do hereby consent to Employer's use of any information provided on this form or during the application process in performing the investigative consumer report. Employer has informed me that I have the right to review and challenge any negative information that would adversely impact a decision to offer employment. I agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless Employer and any reporting agency Employer uses with regard to any information reported by the reporting agency. According to the Fair Credit Reporting Act, I am entitled to know if employment is denied because of information obtained from a consumer reporting agency. If so, I will be notified and given the name, address, and phone number of the agency which provided the information. In addition, I have been informed that I will have a reasonable opportunity to clear up any mistaken information reported within a reasonable time frame established within the sole discretion of Employer. I acknowledge that facsimile, copy or email shall be as valid as the original.