

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Parent volunteers are an important part of the Slingerlands family. This is one of the many reasons it is “a very special place”. Below is a list of committees and activities for which the chair-people anticipate needing volunteer help this school year. If you are interested in helping with a committee listed below, please indicate your interest on the attached form, along with all the other forms in this packet to: “Tami Richter, PTA FORMS” by September 19th.

Thank you for volunteering your time!

Name: _____

Telephone#: _____ Email address: _____

Child’s Teacher(s) & Grade(s) _____

_____ **1,000 Book Project** - Ongoing. A committee responsible for maintaining the 1,000 Book Project. The responsibilities include reviewing the outstanding books/bags weekly, ensuring the bags are returned on a timely basis and replacing books as necessary to consistently maintain our 1,000 book supply.

_____ **After School Enrichment** - Winter 2012. The program provides educational enrichment for students. The session runs for approximately 5 weeks. The program utilizes parent volunteers to support the individual instructors during the 5 week sessions. The co-chairs of the committee coordinate the programs that will be offered, administer the necessary paperwork for student sign up, and ensure the programs progress efficiently from week to week.

_____ **Book Fair** - November 17th & 18th. A PTA fundraiser allowing students to purchase books and accessories. Parent volunteers are needed throughout the day to assist the children in book selection and check out.

_____ **Books For Giving** – ****IN NEED OF CO-CHAIR**** - week before December break and 2 weeks at end of school year. This program allows parents to make book donations to our library. The volunteer coordinates with the Librarians on book selection and assists with placing a donation plaque on the inside cover of the books.

_____ *I would be interested in Chairing or Co-Chairing this committee.*

_____ **The Bookworm (Literary Magazine)** - published once a year. Students are invited to submit their best writing pieces for publication in the magazine. Parent volunteers are needed as typists and for distribution.

_____ **Box Tops For Education** - ****IN NEED OF CO CHAIR**** Ongoing. Volunteer is responsible for collecting and tracking Box Tops as required by the manufacturer. The school earns points which can be redeemed for books and materials.

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_____ **Capri Suns** – Ongoing. Collect and organize Capri Sun packages to earn money for programs.

_____ **Carnival** - A PTA fundraiser held June 8th. A large number of volunteers are needed to coordinate this event. The event includes over 20 fun games, food and dessert tables, and raffle and game prizes for children and parents to enjoy.

_____ **Community Outreach** – Ongoing. A committee to initiate programs that support our surrounding communities. Committee is responsible for selecting programs, publicizing programs and coordinating the events.

_____ **Earth Day** – Spring 2012. Volunteers will plan and coordinate guest speakers to provide educational activities for all grade levels.

_____ **Eat, Read, Shoot** - ****IN NEED OF CO-CHAIRS**** November 17th A sub-committee position for Nature’s Classroom. Involves pizza sale at November Book Fair and basketball shooting contest. Enlist volunteers and collaborate with Physical Education teachers.

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_____ **Fall Fundraiser (Yankee Candle)** - Committee is responsible for publicizing the fundraiser, displaying the products, distributing paperwork, collecting order forms, and distributing the products.

_____ **Field Day - **IN NEED OF CO-CHAIRS** June 14 and 15, 2012.** Fun activity day at school. Activities are planned for each grade level. Chairperson works with the physical education department to plan activities and order T-shirts. Volunteers are also needed to run activities, work at face painting, sno-cone station etc.

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_____ **Fifth Grade Musical – **IN NEED OF CO-CHAIRS** Spring 2012** This committee has 3 co-chairs that ensure that the musical is run smoothly and within budget. Specific information packets are given to the 5th grade parents in January.

_____ *I would be interested in Chairing or Co-Chairing this committee.*

_____ **Fifth Grade Pit Party**-June 6th. This committee is responsible for the organization of the PIT party at the Middle School. Volunteers will book a DJ, coordinate food donations, prizes and organize parent volunteers.

_____ **Friendships Bracelets** – Volunteers will assist in advertising, selling and distributing Guatemalan bracelets.

_____ **Garden Committee** - Ongoing. A committee that is responsible for improving the appearance of the school grounds, as well as maintaining gardens and nature trail.

_____ **Going Green Committee - **IN NEED OF CO-CHAIR** Ongoing.** A committee to look at ways the PTA can reduce, reuse and recycle.

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_____ **Harvest Dance Committee** - A PTA social event held October 28th. Volunteers are needed for decorating, ticket sales, food tables, craft activities, and clean up.

_____ **Healthy Kids Committee - **IN NEED OF CO-CHAIR** Ongoing.** Volunteer opportunities include delivering items collected during healthy food drives, donating healthy snacks for our events, assisting with other HKC activities, and networking with community resources to plan and enhance our activities.

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_____ **Holiday Plant Sale - **IN NEED OF CO-CHAIR**** Organizes and conducts the plant sale held during the winter holiday season.

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_____ **Hospitality Committee - **IN NEED OF CO-CHAIR** - Ongoing** -Responsible for coordinating and serving refreshments at school functions throughout the year. Some events to be supported by Hospitality are Open House (two evenings in September), American Education Week and the Welcome BBQ.

_____ *I would be interested in Co-Chairing this committee.*

_____ **Lip Sync** –November 3 - Coordinate Lip Sync show for upper grade levels.

_____ **Math & Science Nights** – a parent/child enrichment program that provides a “laboratory” style format for family members to actually participate in experiments, with learning materials provided for the parent and child both (grades 3,4 & 5). Volunteers could be used in the development of grade appropriate experiments or as hosts (to assist families with the experiments).

_____ **Moving On Ceremony** – Coordinate food and gifts at 5th grade graduation ceremony in June.

_____ **Nature's Classroom Fundraisers**- The fifth grade class spends a week in Nature's Classroom May 21-25. There are three fundraisers held throughout the school year; Applebee's Pancake Breakfast, Eat, Read and Shoot and the School Spirit Wear. The committee chairs oversee all three fundraisers and each individual fundraiser has 2 co-chairs. The committee will also look at ways to have children self-fund their trip.

_____ **Plant sale** – ****IN NEED OF CO-CHAIRS**** - Nov/Dec and Spring – Committee is responsible for publicizing the fundraiser, displaying the products, distributing paperwork, collecting order forms, and distributing the products.

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_____ **School Banking** - Ongoing. The PTA works with a local credit union or bank to set up bank accounts for the students. Children are able to make deposits into their accounts on Tuesday mornings at the opening of school. Volunteers are needed between 9:00 and 9:45AM once or twice per month.

_____ **School Directory** – Committee assists the VP of Membership in preparing the School Directory. Responsibilities include collecting membership forms, entering parent/student contact information data, and distributing the directory upon receipt from the publisher/printer.

_____ **School Pictures** - A PTA service/fundraiser offered to all students. Volunteers are needed for picture day Wednesday, October 26th assisting students - 1 to 2 hour time slots – and for Spring Pictures.

_____ **Spring Fundraiser** - ****IN NEED OF CO-CHAIRS**** Committee is responsible for publicizing the fundraiser, displaying the products, distributing paperwork, collecting order forms, and distributing the products.

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_____ **Staff Appreciation Luncheon** - ****IN NEED OF CO-CHAIR**** - March 29th. PTA sponsors a special luncheon for our teachers and staff members to say thank you. Volunteers needed for planning, set up, serving and clean up of the event.

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_____ **Transportation Brunch** - ****IN NEED OF CO-CHAIR**** April 4th - The PTA annually sponsors a year-end brunch for our bus drivers to show our appreciation for their time in transporting the children safely to and from school. Volunteers are needed for set-up and clean up of the brunch.

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_____ **Used Book Sale** - Spring 2012.. Volunteer collects, organizes and runs book fair.

_____ **Volunteers** - ****IN NEED OF CO-CHAIR**** Chairperson is responsible for compiling the list of volunteers based on their desires and then forwards it to the committee chairs.

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_____ **Welcome BBQ** – September 23. A new event this year to welcome all families to Slingerlands. Volunteers publicize and coordinate dinner sales and activities.

_____ **Yearbook Committee** - Ongoing. A PTA service/fundraiser organized to create and produce an annual yearbook. Committee is responsible for coordinating with publishing company, collecting pictures, producing a layout, meeting deadlines, and taking orders and distributing yearbooks.

Note: It is necessary to sign-in at the Main Office and obtain a volunteer pass for your time at school.