

**2011-2012**

## **Volunteer Opportunities**

DVS PTA is successful because of our families! Volunteering your time is an inexpensive way to meet the needs of our school, make an effective contribution to your child's school experience, and show your child that you value his/her education.

If we each contribute *2 HOURS* we can accomplish so much! Without volunteers like you, many of the PTA events and activities would not be possible. You can help during the day or at night, at the school or from your home.

**Your Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone #:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete the remainder of this form by checking off the programs/events you are interested in helping with. Send it into school with your child and a Volunteer Coordinator will be in touch with you.

Please contact Laura Peterson at [Petski1@myfairpoint.net](mailto:Petski1@myfairpoint.net) with any questions.

### ***ONGOING PROGRAMS***

- BIRTHDAY BOOK CLUB:** A program designed to purchase books for the school library in honor of a student's birthday. The Chairperson of this committee is in need of a few volunteers to help with planning, sending out notices and arranging for the presentation of the books. There is work that can be done at home and at school.
- BOX TOPS 4 EDUCATION:** . Box tops 4 Education (General Mills) labels are sent in by children and then must be processed and mailed in for school credit. We currently have a chairperson for this program but she is in need of a couple of people interested in assisting her with contests and incentives, communications and preparation of the box tops. Help is needed at home and in school.
- STAR READING PROGRAM:** This is a reading incentive program that runs from November to March and involves distributing calendars each month, awarding prizes, totaling minutes by grade level. A committee of 2 to 3 to assist the chairperson is needed.
- BAKER COORDINATOR:** The PTA is currently in need of a baker Coordinator. This is a position that can be done at home. This person will be in charge of keeping a list of all parents that sign up to be bakers. If a chairperson for another event is in need of baked goods, they will contact you to send out emails or call potential bakers. Some events that will need bakers are: Holiday Fair, Read Aloud Day and Staff Appreciation.
- BAKERS:** Various times throughout the school year, we will be in need of homemade (or store bought) food and baked goods for events and programs. A coordinator will telephone you ahead of time to ask for help with an upcoming event that requires refreshments.

- **ANGEL FUND MEAL PREPARERS:** The Angel Fund is a DVS program run by a member of our guidance department. One of the services offered by the Angel Fund is to coordinate the preparation of meals for DVS families who may be experiencing hardships. We are looking to assemble a list of volunteers who are able to make /purchase a portion of a meal, such a salad and bread, an entree or a dessert.
- **VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR ASSISTANT:** The Volunteer Coordinator could use help with emailing/ phoning volunteers to determine their availability and organizing the different program committees. This can be done from home in the evenings or on weekends.
- **DVS GARDEN:** The garden in front of our school is maintained and funded by the PTA. If you have a green thumb and are knowledgeable in the garden, then your help is needed!!
- **HISTORIAN:** If you like to scrapbook, then this is for you. The DVS PTA is in need of someone who would like to put together our Historian Book for the school year(also known as a procedure/scrapbook). This can be done at home. We will also need people to volunteer to take pictures of our different events/programs and provide those pictures to the historian for the book.

## **FALL/WINTER PROGRAMS**

- **4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> GRADE TRACK PROGRAM:** This afterschool program starts the beginning of October and runs for 6 weeks. Volunteers are needed once a week from 3:00PM to 4PM, to help Mrs. Dorazio with the Track Program. Although you won't need to run, walking indoors and out is involved.
- **CLOTHING SWAP :** The clothing swap is a great opportunity for families in the DVS community to trade in their kid's clothes that don't fit for clothes that do. The fall swap will take place in conjunction with the Ice Cream Social. Volunteers are needed for set up at 2:30pm, to help during the evening with the swap, and for clean up at 8pm.
- **ICE CREAM SOCIAL:** This event is an opportunity for DVS students and their families to spend time with classmates while enjoying treats served by DVS teachers and staff. It will take place in October in the DVS Cafeteria. Volunteers are needed to help set up, serve and clean up on the date of the event.
- **READ ALOUD DAY:** Read Aloud Day will take place on Thursday November 17, 2011 during school hours, and is a fun day enjoyed by the students. Members of the community are invited to read to our children. Volunteers are needed at the school during the day to greet Readers and organize refreshments.
- **PARENTS NIGHT OUT:** PTA will offer again this year a night of free child care DVS children. This event runs in December and is a great way for parents to finish up holiday shopping/baking while the kids have fun with holiday activities in the DVS gym.
- **HOLIDAY FAIR:** The Holiday Fair will be held on Saturday, November 19, 2011, from 9am-3pm. It includes crafters, raffles, games and crafts for the children, a visit from Santa and other fun activities. Volunteers are needed to help plan and run the Children's Room, to coordinate volunteers for the Fair and to work at various stations during the Fair. Many volunteer are also needed to set up the night before the event and to clean up after the event.
- **HOLIDAY PARADE FLOAT:** DVS decorates a parade float that our DVS community will walk with during the Derry Holiday Parade which will be held on November 26<sup>th</sup> in downtown Derry this year. The Float Coordinators need many people (parents and students) to help decorate the float. We also hope to get a LOT of parents and students to walk in the parade with the float!
- **REFLECTIONS:** Reflections is a National and State PTA program that encourages children's self expression in a variety of artistic categories. Our Reflections committee Chair will need volunteers to

help with sending home fliers, collecting art work and sending them to the state level for judging, and organizing a celebration for participants. This program takes place in the fall and early winter. There is much opportunity for work to be done at home.

- **MONARCH'S HOCKEY GAME:** A time for Derry Village families to enjoy a Manchester Monarch's Hockey game. Running this event involves making arrangements with the Monarch's group sales manager and organizing the selling of a block of tickets.
- **SECRET SANTA WORKSHOP:** This event runs the first Friday of December and allows students and their siblings to shop for holiday gifts on their own or with the help of a volunteer. The items are usually at a minimal cost. Volunteers are needed to help set up in the DVS Cafeteria, to assist children in their purchases, to wrap gifts and to help clean up after the event.
- **TURN OFF THE TV WEEK:** The 12<sup>th</sup> Annual DVS *Turn Off the TV Week* will be held after the holidays in 2012. Families are encouraged to "unplug" for a week during which time they can participate in fun events offered at school. A committee of people are needed to plan and run the activities.

## ***SPRING PROGRAMS***

- **AFTER SCHOOL ENRICHMENT:** This program runs from 3-4pm for 3 weeks during March and April and brings a variety of classes to DVS such as crafting, foreign language and sports. Volunteers are needed to teach classes, enroll students and assist instructors during class times. There are many opportunities for volunteers to help at home or in school.
- **STAFF APPRECIATION:** We need a few people interested in helping the committee chair to plan and run special events and surprises for our Staff here at DVS. This event takes place the second full week of May.
- **FISHER CATS BASEBALL GAME:** A time for Derry Village families to enjoy a Manchester Fisher Cats baseball game. The committee selects one or more games, makes arrangements with the stadium and then organizes the selling of a block of tickets. We need someone interested in planning this event.
- **SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR:** The Scholastic Book Fair is usually held during a week in May. Scholastic Books are for sale during the Book Fair, held during each class's library period and one evening during the week for families. Volunteers will be needed during the week of the Book Fair, during the day when kids attend Book Fair during their library time, and one evening during the week for parents to come shop with their kids.
- **5<sup>th</sup> Grade End of Year Party & T-Shirts:** This event takes place in June. We will need a committee to work with the 5<sup>th</sup> grade teachers to plan the party. This committee would also be in charge of ordering the 5<sup>th</sup> Grade graduation T-Shirts. It is best if this event is organized and run by non-5<sup>th</sup> grade parents!
- **5<sup>th</sup> GRADE YEARBOOK:** If you like to take and organize photos this is a great position for you! The yearbook committee will take pictures of the 5<sup>th</sup> grade class throughout the year and work with a yearbook company to arrange those photos in a yearbook for our 5<sup>th</sup> grade class. A good camera, the availability to come into school on occasion to photograph, and computer skills will be great assets for the volunteers on this committee.
- **MAY FAIR:** A Saturday of fun-filled activities at the school for students and their families, including games, raffles and food. We need a few people interested in forming a committee to plan and organize this event.
- **FIELD DAYS:** This will be the 3<sup>rd</sup> year the PTA will sponsor and organize the Annual K-5 Field Days and we will need a committee of 7-10 people to make this program possible! The committee will start meeting once a month in late fall/ early winter to organize this event that will occur in June. Many volunteers are also needed during the field days in June.

*As a non-profit organization we are always looking for alternate sources of funding and contributions from businesses....*

Do you have access to funding sources (such as company community outreach programs) that would consider contributing to the DVS PTA?

Yes

If yes, please explain:

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Do you have access to relationships that would contribute donations for the DVS PTA activities, such as food for events or crafting materials for the Children's Room at the Holiday Fair?

Yes

If yes, please explain:

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Do you have any ideas for programs, activities or events that the DVS PTA should consider doing, or how to make the existing activities better?

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***THANK YOU FOR  
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