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Volunteer Venue

Prairie Volunteers - Supporting and caring for the children of our community!

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Volunteer Hours

2014-15
1159 Registered Volunteers
164 Active Volunteers
747 Reported Hours

Dear Prairie Volunteers,

Please remember to sign in when you arrive in our buildings and sign out when you leave. This is how we keep track of who is in our buildings in case of an emergency. We also need to track your volunteer hours. We use this data when applying for grants that benefit our schools and our students.

We have a lot coming up so check out the volunteer opportunities below!

Sign up for Prairie ENews

Receive all the news about Prairie in the comfort of your home or office. Sign up for Prairie ENews by contacting College Community Schools Community Relations Director, Steve Doser, at sdoser@prairiepride.org.

Help Wanted at College Community Schools!
Help our Community

DONATE YOUR OLD EYE GLASSES AND CELL PHONES
Please send us your old eye glasses and cell phones! You can drop them off at your child’s school office.

Your old cell phone will be taken to The ARC of East Central Iowa. The ARC uses this program to support their programs for the disabled in our community.

Your old eyeglasses are donated to an agency who has a program in place to provide glasses to third-world countries who cannot afford to purchase eyeglasses. Thank you!

Help our schools from home! It's easy!

AMERICA READS - Ocober 17th
America Reads will be observed at all five Prairie elementary buildings and Prairie Creek Intermediate on Friday, October 17th. This will be a fun day featuring guest readers sharing their favorite books with our students. Sign up by October 8 and consider joining us as a guest reader! Sign up online! Click http://tinyurl.com/ksrsfos to sign up and read.

CREST VOLUNTEER PROJECT
Help pull apart pages for Crest enVisions math resource. Easy work! Volunteer and get to know other Crest parents. Contact Stephanie Cooper at scooper@prairiepride.org if you can help!

CANDLELIGHT LUNCH GUEST AT CREST
Be our guest, have lunch on us, and help reinforce that great things that students are doing at Crest. Candlelight Lunch happens once a month on Fridays from 11:00-12:30. Selected students have lunch with the Guidance Counselor and a guest to celebrate their good deeds. Available dates are November 21st, December 19th, January 23rd, February 20th, March 27th, April 17th and May 22. If you can be our guest, contact Kathy Waychoff at kwaychoff@prairiepride.org.

CHESS CLUB AT CREST AND HILL
An adult volunteer is needed at both Prairie Crest and Prairie Hill to assist with Chess Club. We can work with you to find one or two days that fit your schedule. Available days include Monday through Thursday morning 8:00-8:45 and/or Tuesday through Wednesday after school from 3:45-4:45. No knowledge of chess is necessary. If you can help, please contact Jim Hodina at james.hodina@mchsi.com.

CLERICAL WORK IN CLASSROOM AT VIEW
Anna Hester, 2nd grade teacher at Prairie View Elementary, is looking for a volunteer to help with clerical work. If you can help, please contact Anna at ahester@prairiepride.org.
Send in the labels or receipts from the following programs and our school receives funds that help support our programs for students.

**Prairie Crest** - Target for Education, Box Tops for Education, Labels for Education, Hy-Vee Receipts, Tyson A+ Projects, Pop Tabs
**Prairie Heights** - Hy-Vee Receipts, Labels for Education, Box Tops for Education, Pop Tabs, Tyson A+ Project
**Prairie Hill** - Box Tops for Education, Hy-Vee Receipts, Target for Education, Labels for Education, Coke-a-Cola Rewards, Tyson A+ Projects
**Prairie Ridge** - Box Tops for Education, Hy Vee Receipts, Pop Tabs
**Prairie View** - Hy Vee Receipts, Labels for Education, Box Tops for Education, Pop Tabs, Tyson A+ Project - Box Tops for Education, Labels for Education, Target for Education, Hy Vee Receipts, Pop tabs
**Prairie Creek** - Box Tops for Education, Hy Vee Receipts, Target for Education
**Prairie Point** - Box tops for Education, Hy Vee Receipts, Target for Education
**Prairie High School** - Hy Vee Receipts, Target for Education
**Prairie Edge** - Labels for Education, Box Tops for Education

If your child's building does not participate in a program, send your

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**LUNCH BUDDY AT PRAIRIE CREST**
Share lunch (on us!) with a student every Tuesday between 11:00-12:20 (depending on grade level). Read with the student and help sharpen reading skills while enjoying lunch together. If you can help, please contact Kaye Siders at ksiders@prairiepride.org.

**PRAIRIE CREEK READING MENTORS NEEDED**
Volunteers are needed at Prairie Creek to help students become more confident readers. We need people who can commit to help from 9:30-10:00, 1:00-1:30 or 1:30-1:50 twice a week. The students that would benefit from a mentor can read but need to have time to read and talk with an enthusiastic reader. If you can be a Creek Reading Mentor, please contact Michelle Anderson at mianderson@prairiepride.org.

**PRAIRIE CREEK CLASSROOM VOLUNTEERS**
Patrice Becicka and Marina Sherry would like volunteers to read with 5th grade students. Marina Sherry would also like a volunteer to help in her math/science classroom. If interested, please contact Patrice Becicka at pbecicka@prairiepride.org or Marina Sherry at msherry@prairiepride.org.

**POINT MAGAZINE SALE PROCESSING**
Help process orders and count money for the Point Magazine Sale. No experience needed! We need volunteers on September 19th from 8:00 am until about 11:00. Let John Randles know when you can help by contacting him at jrandles@prairiepride.org.

**HIGH SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY MEET**
We are hosting the MVC Cross County Super Meet on Thursday, October 9th. This meet will draw fourteen of the biggest and best schools in our conference for the boys and girls cross country competition. Volunteers are needed to pull tags, traffic/course rangers, finish line help, etc. If you can help, please contact Corrie Enyart at cenyart@prairiepride.org.

**HIGH SCHOOL-STACK THE STANDS**
Your help is needed on Saturday, October 25th, at the annual Stack the Stands, dance competition
labels or receipts to Kathy Waychoff, College Community Schools, 401 76th Avenue SW, Cedar Rapids IA 52404, and they will be divided between the participating schools.

held at Prairie High School. sign up at www.stackthestand.com.

Thank you for sharing your time and talents with Prairie Students!

Kathy Waychoff
District Volunteer Coordinator