Volunteering at Prairie - November 6, 2015

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Dear Prairie Volunteers,

Remember to send in your Box Tops, Labels, HyVee store receipts, etc. The money from these programs help fund needed items and programs in our schools. For example, General Mills Box Tops for Education typically donate over $16,000 each school year.

Check out "Help our Schools from Home" section of this enewsletter. If you do not have a school to support, please send your items to me and they will be equally distributed to our schools. Send to: Kathy Waychoff, College Community Schools, 401 76th Avenue SW, Cedar Rapids IA 52404. Thank you!

Project Lead the Way at College Community Schools!

Project Lead the Way (PLTW) Pathway to Engineering and Gateway programs are offered to our Prairie students, providing them access to world-class science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) curriculum and hands-on projects and activities.

We would like to invite and encourage business representatives join our Partnership Team to provide leadership and support for these programs. Find out more by visiting the PLTW website at www.pltw.org and attend our first district meeting on November 12 from 3:45-4:45 pm at Prairie High School Room E108. Everyone is welcome.
Help our schools from home! It's easy!

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, 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

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**First Lego League Regional Event**

The First Lego League Regional Event will be held at Prairie Point Middle School on Saturday, November 14th from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. Community volunteers are needed as judges, reviewers, judge assistants and timers, referees, protographers, pit wachers, queueurs and check in/team helpers. For more information about First Lego League please visit [US First Lego League](http://www.usfirstlegoque.com). To view volunteer needs and to sign up, click here.

**Toys for Tots**

Prairie Schools are once again a collection site for Toys for Tots. Toys are needed for boys and girls ages birth through 17. You may help by donating a new, unwrapped toy at any of our schools through December 3rd. Thanks for making a child’s holidays a bit merrier.

**Help Wanted at College Community Schools!**

**PRAIRIE HILL ELEMENTARY**

Prairie Hill is looking for a few people who could help provide support for some of our special education students in adaptive PE on Wednesdays from 9:00-9:30. You will receive instruction and training. If you can help, please contact Hill Teacher Amy Olson at amyolson@crprairie.org or Facilitator Brad Koch at bkoch@crprairie.org.

**PRAIRIE RIDGE ELEMENTARY**

The Prairie Ridge Art Room would love volunteers to help switch out artwork displays throughout the building once per month. If you can help, please contact Art Teacher Rachel Edwards at redwards@crprairie.org.

Ridge needs Book Fair Volunteers!

Process sales and restock books for sale. Your help is needed during November 16-20 from 8:30-9:30, 3:30-4:30 and on Thursday, November 19th from 4:30-8:30 in one hour increments. If you can help, please contact Ridge IMC Specialist, Brenda Haskin, at bhaskin@crprairie.org.

**PRAIRIE VIEW ELEMENTARY**

View 2nd graders need volunteers to read to students on a regular basis from 10:15
Help in 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!

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 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.

PRAIRIE CREEK INTERMEDIATE
One more volunteer is needed at Creek to read with two students from 1:20-1:50 once or twice a week. If you can help, please contact Michelle Anderson, 6th grade Literacy teacher at mianderson@crprairie.org.

Chess Club needs your help at Creek on Mondays from 2:30-4:30 pm. Please come and help and learn from our students! If you can help, please contact Jim Hodina at james.hodina@mchsi.com.

PRAIRIE POINT
Share your time and talents with the 8th grade Family and Consumer Classes during Food & Nutrition labs as well as during sewing projects. For more information, please contact FACS Teacher, Julie Leytem at jleytem@crprairie.org.

PRAIRIE HIGH SCHOOL
Prairie Music Association is looking for a co-chairperson for the Spring Fruit and Candy Fundraiser and a co-treasurer for PMA. If you can help lead, please contact Brenda Swanson at shueyfamily4@yahoo.com or Michelle Krapfl at michelle.krapfl@mcgladrey.com.

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

Kathy Waychoff
District Volunteer Coordinator