Dear Prairie Volunteers,

Spring Break is here! Enjoy your time to relax and enjoy family time together. This is a great time to volunteer together as a family. For community volunteer opportunities, please visit the United Way of East Central Iowa at www.uweci.org. Check out the great volunteer opportunities below.

PHS Senior Beth Uthoff is a finalist for the United Way Volunteer Awards!

Congratulations to Prairie High School senior Beth Uthoff who has been selected as a finalist for the annual United Way Volunteer Awards. Beth was selected as a finalist under the 'youth category' because of her many years of volunteer work in our school and community. Beth is involved in PHS Key Club, Monroe Hustlers 4-H Group, Shueyville United Methodist Church, PHS National Honor Society, Mentor at Prairie Creek Intermediate, Wrestling Stats Manager
and is a participant on the tennis and cross country teams. Beth is also a 2017 Norman Borlaug Scholar for the State of Iowa.

For more information and to vote to make Beth the overall winner, please click here.

**Volunteer at 5th Grade "JA in a Day!"

Junior Achievement of Eastern Iowa is hosting a "JA in a Day" event for our 5th grade students at Prairie Creek Intermediate on Friday, April 13th. Volunteers will be matched up with a classroom and will spend part of the school day doing three activities with the students focusing on financial literacy. Activities are game based, interactive, and fun. Junior Achievement provides all of the materials as well as a step-by-step guide to follow. Both morning and afternoon sessions are available. For more information and to sign up to join in on the fun, please contact Amy Anderson with Junior Achievement at aandersen@jaeasterniowa.org. Thank you!

**Help in our Community

Old eye glasses or cell phones laying around the house? Send them to school with your child. THANK YOU to the Fairfax Lions Club for getting the eyeglasses to areas of the world that need them. Cell phones go to the ARC to support their programs.

**Help Wanted at College Community Schools

**PRAIRIE RIDGE ELEMENTARY

Ridge Book Fair is coming - March 5-9, 2018! Please consider helping with our Spring Scholastic Book Fair. Click here for Book Fair times. If you're interested in volunteering please contact: Mrs. Haskin Ridge Teacher Librarian bhaskin@crprairie.org or call 848-5100.

**PRAIRIE POINT MIDDLE SCHOOL & 9TH GRADE ACADEMY

Kirkwood Community College's Workplace Learning Center offers a Financial Literacy Fair for all area 8th grade students. Prairie Point 8th grade students will be going on May 18th from 8:45 am to 12:15 pm. Students learn about life decisions that affect financial well-being. Your help is needed at this event. NO EXPERIENCE OR FINANCIAL EXPERTISE IS NECESSARY. Volunteer training is provided before students arrive. Please click here for more information and to sign up. Questions? Please contact Cheryl Valenta at cheryl.valenta@kirkwood.net or at 319-398-4825.

**PRAIRIE MUSIC ASSOCIATION
Your help is needed with the 7-8 Solo/Ensemble Festival on March 28th, please contact Mike Davies at mdavies@crprairie.org.

For information on helping with admissions and ushering at upcoming spring High School Band and Choir Concerts, please visit PMA's website at www.prairiemusic.com.

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

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