Prairie Volunteers - Enhancing the educational experience of students attending College Community Schools

2655 volunteer hours so far this school year!

New Policy at College Community Schools for Chaperoning Field Trips

As you know, all field trip volunteers for College Community Schools must have completed the online volunteer registration form annually and be an approved volunteer before chaperoning a field trip during the school day for AK-12th grade students. In some cases volunteers have requested to drive on their own and meet the field trip at their destination. Effective immediately, all field trip volunteers will sign in on the volunteer computer at the building before going to the destination. Please check with your child’s teacher to see if they need your help chaperoning on the bus ride as well as the field trip. All field trip volunteers will wear the yellow name badge to easily identify them as helpers and belonging to the field trip group. This is to assist in providing a safe environment for our students, staff and volunteers.

Prairie Schools Support Toys for Tots
Prairie Schools are happy to participate in the annual Toys for Tots Program by having a collection box at each of our schools. You can help by donating a new toy, book or game that will be made available to those in our community that need a bit of help to make the holidays happy for their children. Please leave your donated items in the collection box in the office of any of our schools between October 26th and December 6th. Thank you for your generosity.

HELP NEEDED IN OUR SCHOOLS

NEW - PRAIRIE POINT MIDDLE SCHOOL AND 9TH GRADE ACADEMY
Prairie Point will be having their annual Scholastic Book Fair on October 30th and November 1st and they need your help! Various times between 3:00 and 7:30 pm are available. Please click here for more information and to sign up to help.

PRAIRIE CREST, HEIGHTS AND HILL ELEMENTARY BUILDINGS
Volunteers are still needed for the Volunteers In Proficiency Program and Crest, Heights and Hill. Prairie Schools and United Way have partnered to provide a literacy program that pairs volunteers with students to read together once per week to increase our student's reading success. For more information, please contact Claudette Breaux at United Way at claudette.breaux@uwect.org.

PRAIRIE CREST ELEMENTARY
Prairie Crest Elementary is looking for volunteers to help support their kindergarten lunch time from 11:00-11:30 daily. If you can help on one or more days, please contact Jessica at Prairie Crest at jthede@crprairie.org.

PRAIRIE RIDGE ELEMENTARY
Please considering helping at the Prairie Ridge Scholastic Book Fair from November 6th through 9th - various times are available. Please contact Ridge Media Specialist Brenda Haskin at bhaskin@crprairie.org or at 319-848-5100.

PRAIRIE CREEK INTERMEDIATE
The Volunteer Room at Prairie Creek Intermediate is up and running and needs your help! Please drop in on any Tuesday and/or Thursday between 8:00 am and 2:30 pm to help prepare classroom materials so the staff has more instructional time with children. Please complete the online
volunteer registration form [here](#) you have not already done so this year. See you at Prairie Creek!

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**Support our Schools**

All of our elementary schools and Prairie Creek Intermediate support the Box Tops for Education program and ALL of our schools participate in Hy-Vee's Cash 4 Students program. Please send your box tops and Hy-Vee receipts to school with your child. If you do not have an affiliation with a Prairie School, please send them to Kathy Waychoff, College Community Schools, **401 76th Avenue SW, Cedar Rapids IA 52404**. They will be shared with our schools. Thank you.

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**Helpful Links**

- Register to Volunteer
- Volunteer at Prairie
- Community Volunteer

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**STAY CONNECTED TO PRAIRIE**

Kathy Waychoff | District Volunteer Coordinator | 319-848-5224 | [kwaychoff@crprairie.org](mailto:kwaychoff@crprairie.org)

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