

~~The Board of Education encourages the use of volunteers in the K-12 and the Community-Schools programs of the Transylvania County Schools to enrich and extend the services offered.~~

~~Volunteers in the K-12 program shall be assigned and supervised by principals.~~

~~Programs of pre-service orientation and in-service training shall be arranged by the Community-Schools Coordinator.~~

The Board recognizes the valuable contributions that school volunteers make to the learning process and the educational goals of the school system. Instructional programs are enhanced through the contributions of students' parents, community members, and local business and industry. These volunteers contribute time, resources, and expertise that assist the school system to reach the goal of providing a sound basic education to all children.

The Board encourages school administrators to develop and implement plans and procedures for utilizing school volunteers. The Superintendent and designees are responsible for implementing and supervising school volunteer programs. School volunteer programs must provide the following:

1. Adequate screening of volunteers based upon the amount of contact they will have with students;
2. A criminal record check in accordance with applicable district policies/procedures;
3. The requirement that volunteers comply with policy KK, "Visitors to the Schools";
4. Reasonable supervision of volunteers based at least in part upon the amount of contact they will have with students; and
5. Adequate training of volunteers, including familiarizing volunteers with applicable laws, board policies, administrative procedures and school rules.

All school volunteers are expected to be professional and dependable in their volunteer activities.

Legal References: G.S. 115C-36, -47, -203 to -209.1

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