

VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES AT SEACREST 2009-2010

It takes a community of caring adults to support a rich variety of special programs and events that truly help define the "Seacrest Difference." The spirit of volunteerism is an integral part of our school. There are many ways to give and that sends a valuable message to your children. Volunteer involvement can be as much or little as you can give. It also provides you the opportunity to get to know each other, working together supporting positive growth for Seacrest. **You are a valuable asset** to the school and our students. So whether you have a few minutes, a few days, or would like to help run an event, **each individual's commitment is valuable and treasured.**

Post this descriptive summary on your refrigerator to remind you of the many volunteering opportunities available. Then, fill out the enclosed form and return it to the school. Don't forget to check out the Volunteer bulletin board in the main office.

ONGOING, THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

Cantina (School Snack Shop) 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.: What a great way to get into the school and see your children and their friends in action! Volunteer one day a week or one day every once in a while.

Last Minute Cantina Help: In case our regularly scheduled volunteer cannot show up you will be called last minute. Please be sure that you can jump in and volunteer at a moments call.

Monthly Coffee Cart: Third Thursday of every month, deliver coffee and muffins to teachers. (1 ½ hours commitment)

Library: Many different jobs are available in our incredible Resource Center. The media specialist will contact you with additional information.

Office Help: You know how it goes, something unexpected comes up and there aren't enough hands to get the job done. Whether it's answering phones, stuffing envelopes, or assisting with a special job, how nice to know there are sympathetic hands to lend assistance. ***NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!***

Seacrest Spirit Store: The store will sell a little bit of everything Seacrest! Sign up one day a week or only as your schedule permits. This is yet another way to get to know other Seacrest parents and students. ***(specific hours will be set once we have volunteer staffing)***

The ArtsMatter: There's a lot going on at the school in the visual and performing arts. Want to get involved? Sell tickets, sew costumes, paint scenery, choreograph dances, the sky is the limit!

Concession Stand during Home Volleyball, Basketball and Baseball Games: Our Concession Stand volunteers will sell drinks and snacks, hand out sports schedules and help support the Seacrest Booster Club. Monies collected will help to support our SEACREST STINGRAYS!

Odyssey of the Mind (OotM): This is an international, creative problem solving competition involving students in K to 12. For more information about this program, ask Marty Durham at the front desk.

All School Stingray Picnic: A great way to meet new friends and to get reacquainted with old friends.
(August 28, 2009)

SEPTEMBER

Sally Foster (gift wrap and special occasion gifts): This is our major annual PTO fundraiser. Since this event occurs in the fall, it is a great way to get to know Seacrest parents.

Smile, It's Picture Time: Help the children with last-minute primping before their pictures are taken. (And from experience you know what can happen without last-minute primping!) ***(September 25, 2009)***

Health Screening: Volunteer to assist with Health Screening for Grades PreK, K, 1, 3, and 6. ***(September 3, 2009)***

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OCTOBER

Stingray Golf Tournament: Help plan and organize our annual Golf Tournament or volunteer the day of the event. This event raises money for the Athletic Department. (*October 24, 2009*)

NOVEMBER

Harvest Hay Day: Come help us with this wonderful family event that brings the entire Seacrest Community together for a casual afternoon and evening of games, fun, picnicking and general frivolity. (*November 7, 2009*)

Teacher Appreciation Lunch: After all they do for our children, we reciprocate with a wonderful lunch on Parent Conference Days (no school for children). (*November 2, 2009 and again on April 16, 2010*)

FEBRUARY

Grandparents' and Special Friends' Day: Come and be a part of the day when we honor our wonderful grandparents and special friends. (*February 5, 2010*)

Tennis Round Robin Tournament: Help plan and organize our annual Tennis Tournament or volunteer the day of the event. This event raises money for the Athletic Department. (*February 6, 2010*)

Book Fair: Our librarian needs your help to set-up books, sell books, and answer the children's questions. This "job" is great fun and a wonderful opportunity to meet many Seacrest students and parents.

MARCH

GALA FOR TREASURES: Our own Gala for Treasures has grown to become one of the most successful benefits in Southwest Florida. Our success requires that our committee of volunteers encompasses as many Seacrest Families as possible. *A detailed Gala for Treasures Volunteer Opportunities sheet will be provided for your choice of volunteering!* (*March 13, 2010*)

APRIL

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MAY

Book Exchange: Children trade in books for other gently used favorites. We need helpers to organize the books that have come from home as well as help students choose that "almost" new book.

Uniform/Shirt Sale: Wondering what to do at the end of the school year with those outgrown or gently-used Seacrest shirts? Donate them to our annual "Shirt Sale". All funds go directly to the school.

SPECIAL TALENTS ALL YEAR ROUND

Please call the Office if you would like your name added to our "Special Talents" list.

Commitment: I would love to be involved at Seacrest, but because of my schedule – or a myriad of other reasons (*and we've all been there*) I cannot commit to any one activity for this year. Please call me as needs come up – because if I can make the time I would love to become involved.

Carpenters: You never know when you need someone who is talented with a hammer and nails...maybe paint and spackle...grout and cement...your talents could be used for many special projects.

Speakers: Do you have something special to share? Perhaps you are a collector or researcher or authority. Share your experience with the students. It enriches their education and makes them so proud to know that you're involved.

Surprise: O.K., you got us! We never would have thought of this special skill, talent, expertise or piece of ingenuity – but we're so glad you're offering. Plan on receiving a telephone call.