

## Village Montessori School Volunteering Form

Volunteering as a parent is an important part of the Village Montessori environment. It not only provides mutual enrichment opportunities for all involved, but—as the saying goes—*It takes a Village...*

Each family is required to provide 10 hours of volunteer time throughout the school year. We have provided a list of volunteer opportunities below; please check those in which you are interested. While we sincerely hope that each family will commit to 10 hours of volunteer time, we understand the time constraints in unusual circumstances and crazy schedules. Each family may pay an opt-out fee of \$300 in lieu of volunteer time.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Child's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

- Unfortunately, we will be unable to volunteer during the school year but offer our whole-hearted support and enthusiasm to our Village Montessori community. We have enclosed our check for \$300.

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- Yes! We are able to volunteer and have checked the activities below in which we have interest, skills, or knowledge. Go team!
- Hospitality Team:** Are you a people person? We need a Hospitality Team that will reach out to new parents and help ensure their family's transition to our school and/or the Montessori environment is a successful and friendly one.
- Parent-Teacher Organization:** Interested in being involved in the PTO? Join your fellow parents in socializing, planning events and meetings, fundraising, or anything else the PTO decides to tackle this year!
- Community Nights:** Village Montessori will have periodic community enrichment events, i.e. movie nights, ice cream socials, game night, dinners/potlucks, etc. If you are able to plan, coordinate, and help execute events, please let us know!
- International Dinner:** Come help organize and execute our International Dinner! This yearly event will showcase projects, activities, and cuisine from several different countries, all put on by our talented students!
- Thanksgiving Potluck:** We need you to help us celebrate Thanksgiving! Can you help organize the event, handle the menu, and assist in decorating?
- Substitutes:** Have a schedule that might allow you to fill in for our guides during absences? We would ideally have advance notice, but emergent and medical situations cannot be predicted! Would you be interested in filling in for scheduled and/or last-minute absences?
- Sewing:** Are you a Suzy Homemaker when it comes to sewing? We might need help in making costumes for plays or for napkins or curtains. Let us know!

- Fundraising:** Good at raising money? Then we need your help to organize fundraising efforts and/or keep parents informed of the various ways in which they can support the school. Our projected fundraisers are: Kroger Cards, Children Artwork fundraiser, the Heifer fundraiser, and electronics recycling.
  
- Garden Committee:** Have a green thumb? Then come help the students with their gardening activities, secure donations from local nurseries, and help secure grants for larger scale farming and gardening!
  
- End of Year celebration and Transition Ceremony:** Help us set the stage for this celebration of our first school year completed!
  
- Room Parent:** Our guides need your help! Each classroom needs two room parents to assist our guides with class-specific events and communication.
  
- Providing Various Skills:** Have a talent you wish to share? Would you like to provide our students with your knowledge and time? Please list any special skills/talents/knowledge you may have that you wish to share with our classes:

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