

**POLK COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
2016-2017 VOLUNTEER APPLICATION**

In order to apply, you will need to:

1. Confirm with the school that you are not already an approved volunteer.
2. Review the qualifications carefully before you sign the application.
3. Obtain a personal check or money order payable to the Polk County School Board in the amount of \$25.00 to cover the Florida Department of Law Enforcement background check required for all applicants. **\*\*Active and sworn law enforcement officers with arresting power, current / retiring PCPS employees, active Kelly substitute teachers, registered PCPS students and college students majoring in Education are EXEMPT from paying the \$25.00 background check fee. Attach a copy of verifying documentation such as an officer photo ID badge and member number OR an employee / student ID badge.**
4. Bring completed application and non-refundable \$25.00 payment to the school (please allow 2 to 3 weeks to complete the application process).

**\*REQUIRED INFORMATION**

\*Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ \*First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ M.I. \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ \*Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_  
No SSN

\*Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ \*Race: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ Business Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_

\*Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\*City: \_\_\_\_\_ \*State: \_\_\_\_\_ \*Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*If you are an applicant that is EXEMPT from the \$25.00 background fee (as stated above), please specify here: \_\_\_\_\_**

**\*List the school(s) where you will volunteer:**

\*School: \_\_\_\_\_

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## **QUALIFICATIONS**

All volunteer applicants will be required to undergo a level 1 criminal background screening by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement. **Active and sworn law enforcement officers with arresting power, current / retiring PCPS employees, active Kelly substitute teachers, registered PCPS students and college students majoring in Education are EXEMPT from paying the \$25.00 background check fee. Attach a copy of verifying documentation such as an officer photo ID badge and member number OR an employee / student ID badge.**

### **NOT ELIGIBLE TO VOLUNTEER**

- If a person has been found guilty of any felony offense, regardless of adjudication, expungement, or entered a plea of nolo contendere or guilty to any offense constituting a felony under Florida law or the jurisdiction in which the offense occurred.
- If a person is found guilty of any misdemeanor offense within the past 5 years.
- If a person has ever been convicted of a crime related to the offenses specified in or subject to:
  - Florida Statute 787.025 Relating to Luring or Enticing a Child
  - Florida Statute 796.07 Prostitution
  - Florida Statute 800.03 Exposure of Sexual Organs
  - Florida Statute 810.145 Voyeurism

### **MAY BE CONSIDERED TO VOLUNTEER**

- If convicted or judicial action of any misdemeanor offense is more than 5 years old.

I specifically authorize the release of my confidential criminal history to Polk County School Board pursuant to The National Child Protection Act and F.S. 943.0542. Volunteers may challenge the record only as provided in F.S. 943.056.

- I affirm that my responses are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and are made in good faith.
- I agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the volunteer program. I understand that all involvement with students is restricted to approved school activities.
- I acknowledge that I have read the qualifications provided.

\*Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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