

St. Agnes School Volunteer Opportunities 2020-2021

As a part of our school community, each family is responsible for completing 20 volunteer hours or a monetary donation equivalent to \$20 per hour. This is how we support St. Agnes School and foster a sense of community. While this year may look a little different, it is more important than ever for us to come together in support of the school and our children. There are multiple ways to fulfill the volunteer hour obligation as outlined below and more opportunities may develop over the next few months.

What is the **Home School Association (HSA)**? The HSA is the volunteer parent organization of St. Agnes School. Its purpose is to enhance the education of our children by:

- Coordinating communication between St. Agnes families and the school
- Raising funds to benefit the school directly (HSA donations to the school include installing a railing at the front of the school; annual teacher support via gift cards and luncheons; and donating a percentage of each year's proceeds directly to the school).
- Fostering a sense of community within the St. Agnes community--both school and Parish.

COORDINATOR POSITIONS (Most coordinator positions offer 10-20 volunteer hours)

Uniform Exchange coordinator-assess what items are available, match with needs of families and coordinate an outdoor uniform exchange (after school or weekend).

Box Tops coordinator-promote the Box Tops program, encourage participation by families and friends, serve as contact for the program.

SCRIPS gift card fundraiser coordinators (two needed)- serve as contacts with the SCRIP card program, promote program to families, gain full understanding of how the program works, work with SCRIPS company to place bi-weekly orders for physical gift cards.

Homeroom parents-one or two needed for each classroom. Coordinate teacher lounge appreciation events, class lunch for teachers, help with virtual/in-person holiday parties, rally families together to create sense of unity with the class.

Virtual movie night coordinator-Investigate how we could deliver a virtual movie night to families.

Boon Supply fundraiser coordinator-We are looking into a virtual online fundraiser around the holidays and the coordinator will work with Jen Doyle on the logistics of this event.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Family ambassador participants--The Admissions Department will be hosting virtual Open House sessions targeted by grade level starting in November. We will be host one every other month for each grade level (PK-1, 2-4, 5-8) and one all school Open House in January during Catholic Schools Week. We are looking for current families to attend and introduce themselves to prospective families, tell them about your St. Agnes experience, and answer questions families may have.

- We are looking for two Ambassador Families from each grade to join our Ambassador Family Program.
- Volunteer Hours will be earned depending on the number of sessions attended and depending on the length of the sessions.

After School Programs & Clubs- Do you have a talent you can share virtually with our St. Agnes students? Please contact the School Office to discuss your idea for an After School club. Volunteer hours will be given based on time donated (1 hour = 1 volunteer hour).

Race for Education participation—The Race for Education is one of the largest fundraisers for St. Agnes School. Students ask family and friends to support them in a walkathon with a tax-deductible donation. Each family that meets their \$200 minimum fundraising goal will receive **10 volunteer hours (and for each additional \$20 raised, 1 volunteer hour is awarded)**.

Race for Education stamp donation-Stamps are used to mail tax-acknowledgement and thank you letters. Donate two books of stamps for **1 volunteer hour**.

SCRIPS gift card fundraiser participation-St. Agnes is participating in the SCRIPS gift card program this year. Each family will be able to track their gift card purchases and a percentage of each sale comes back to St. Agnes. For every \$20 raised, families receive 1 volunteer hour. You can purchase gift cards for everyday purchases like groceries and gas and also for clothing, furniture, airline tickets...the list is endless. The program has more than 750 stores from which you can purchase gift cards.

Restaurant Night participation-St. Agnes has several Restaurant Nights a year where a percentage of the evening's sales come back to the school. Snap a photo of your receipt and send to HSABoard@StAgnesSchool.net to receive volunteer hours (for each \$20 purchase, 1 hour is awarded).

Teacher Appreciation-Our teachers are working harder than ever in this virtual and in-person environment. We can brighten their days by providing snacks, coffee, utensils or even breakfast or lunch for the teacher's lounge. Volunteer hours will be counted using the \$20 per hour formula and items should be delivered on Fridays (could also be sent from Amazon to the school). Ideas include:

- Paper products (Paper plates, cups, napkins, paper towels, plastic ware)
- K-Cups and Creamer for coffee
- Individually wrapped snacks (There are three bins: one for salty, one for sweet, and one for granola/healthy bars)
- Candy jar (individual packs)
- Special treat of the month