

OFFICE OF STUDENT INTERVENTION SERVICES

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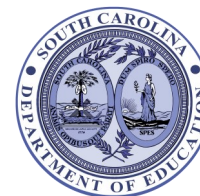
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Guide for Volunteers



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I am honored to serve as South Carolina's 18th State Superintendent of Education. It is our shared vision to ensure that all students meet the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate, so they are ready for the next step after high school.

The Office of Student Intervention Services supports partnerships between community organizations, families, and schools in an effort to coordinate access to resources for all students in South Carolina.

Community groups, faith-based organizations, and other organized volunteers can help move that shared vision to reality.

With a shared vision, a common goal, and communication we know that every student in South Carolina will Succeed!

Molly M. Spearman

State Superintendent of Education

HOW CAN I HELP?



Backpack Program

Some students depend on school meals for nourishment. A Backpack Program supplies non-perishable, healthy food items to those students on weekends and holidays.



Reading Buddy

A Reading Buddy initiative introduces reading to young readers through volunteers as a guided or group activity.



Teacher Support

A Teacher Support initiative invites acts of kindness, and resources to the classrooms. Examples include: school supplies, bulletin board crafts, hygiene items, etc.



Ask the Source

Inquire at your local school about their needs.

HOW TO GET STARTED

1

Identify your organization's resources. Resources can include: volunteer hours, tangible items, etc.

2

Identify a local school to which you would like to offer your service and contact the school's principal for a meeting.

3

Inquire about the needs of the school first. Offer resources identified by your organization if you feel there is a resource that your organization can provide.

4

Identify and agree upon a timeline with the school. Both parties should have a firm understanding before volunteering begins.

5

Organize your volunteers based on the needs of the school. You will need to have a schedule outlined.

6

Commit to the program (remember you have people depending on you to follow through on your time and resources).

7

Value the partnership.

*Please note that schools will require a State Law Enforcement Division (SLED) background check and possibly additional volunteer training before volunteers are allowed to provide any services to students. Please check with your local school for their policy and procedures.