

Volunteer Activities: Descriptions

Art Class Volunteer	Assist in the classroom, prepare materials or participate in special projects, and help create and construct displays. Special need in Kindergarten and 1st grade classes, but helpers in all grades are appreciated. No experience necessary.
Art Print Presenter	Volunteer in your child's classroom once a month. Choose an artist from a list and do a simple "show & tell" about one of their paintings, and possibly a small art project (supplies are provided). All of the information and art prints are available for you. No art history experience is necessary, and training is provided. Position requires 6 hours of time per school year. Kids love this program. Presenters are chosen on a first come basis.
Arts & Crafts Fair (Oct. 16)	A popular event with over 20 vendors. We need help planning and organizing prior to event. Volunteers are needed day of the fair to work bake sale and raffle tables. Also need volunteers to help plan and run the children's area.
Attractions Fundraiser (August/September)	Book of coupons for local restaurants and stores. Help prepare envelopes, tally returns and fill orders.
Bee Bop (October)	A fun mile-long walk/run for students and family members held during PR class. Help needed serving refreshments and assisting the PE teachers.
BEE Program	Help with Brownsville's Elective Education "BEE" Program, our afterschool program organized by parents. There are many jobs from curriculum coordination to helping with administrative tasks.
Book Buddies Program	
Book Fair (Nov. 15–20)	Help plan, organize, set up, cashier and clean up during this annual, festive theme-oriented event.
Brownsville Bakers	Provide baked goods for bake sales and other fundraising activities, as well as for various PTO-sponsored events throughout the year. Occasionally asked to help sell the baked goods. Requests are intermittent throughout the year. Great volunteer opportunity for parents who are unable to donate a

lot of hands-on time at school.

Brownsville Directory

Online and hardcopy list of students and their parents' contact information. We'll need your help developing, organizing and distributing the directory.

**Brownsville
Publishing House (K-2)**

Stories authored by students are published as hardcover books. Most of the work can be done at home. We'll show you how!

Cans of Caring
(May/June)

Help the local food bank stock its pantry for the summer, one of the highest-need times of the year! Help organize and promote a canned good collection; help students load the food bank truck with our donations.

Classroom Volunteer

A weekly, biweekly or monthly commitment to assist in your child's classroom.

**Family Dance
and Ice Cream Social**
(Sept. 14)

Help organize, decorate and clean up for this family event. We're always looking for people to scoop ice cream, serve toppings and lead the dancing.

**Family Dinner
& Game Night**
(Jan. 21)

Field Day
(June)

Help set up, facilitate an activity, serve refreshments, escort children and clean up during a day of outdoor fun and games. Held one day during the last two weeks of school.

Fifth Grade Sendoff
(June)

Help us plan the very special graduation ceremony for our rising sixth graders.

Food Drive
(December)

Grade levels donate food for 25+ families in our school community. Help sort food and prepare packages for delivery.

Fun Fair
(May)

Golf Tournament
(Oct. 8)

Grounds Beautification

& Butterfly Garden
(Sept. 26, Mar. 27)

Volunteers gather at the Brownsville school grounds to spread mulch, weed flowerbeds, plant flowers and shrubs, and provide general yard work. Happens one fall and one spring weekend day.

Kid Pan Alley
(Sept. 27 – Oct. 1)

Come be a part of a wonderful songwriting program! Kid Pan Alley needs volunteers in the classroom throughout the week to help take photos and type lyrics. We also need help during concerts with video, photos, lyric scrolling and CD sales.

Library Volunteer

Help librarian shelve and check in/out books, file and conduct inventory.

Lost & Found

Monitor and maintain the lost and found items that accumulate. Provide opportunities for children/families to claim items and donate any unclaimed items at the end of the school year.

Music Class Volunteer

Assist in the music classroom. No experience necessary. Special need in Kindergarten and 1st grade classes.

**Newcomer's Network
And Picnic**

Performing Arts

Help with grade level productions. Sew costumes, paint/build sets, provide stage help or assist with rehearsals.

Redemption Programs

Brownsville earns cash and school supplies from a variety of redemption programs. Great opportunity to help support the school from home! Help count and clip General Mills Box Tops and promote the programs.

Room Parent

Help teacher organize and/or coordinate classroom celebrations, field trips and school-wide activities by involving the parents of your child's class. Assist in coordinating volunteers for PTO events and fundraisers. Attend monthly PTO meetings.

Science Day

Tasty Tastings

Help introduce Brownsville kids to healthy food choices through tastings provided during lunch period.

Spiritwares	Help design, order and sell Brownsville merchandise (t-shirts, sweatshirts, stickers). We'll need your great ideas and help filling orders, too.
Teacher/Staff Appreciation	Provide food for teacher/staff luncheons and monthly birthday treats. And/or provide goodies such as a simple note or a needed supply throughout the year to show the school staff how grateful we are for all their hard work.
Technology Class Volunteer	Assist in the technology classroom. No experience necessary. Special need in Kindergarten and 1 st grade classes.
Used Book Sale (March)	Help gather, sort and sell gently used books that are donated from families within our community. Proceeds from this event sponsor scholarships for the fall book fair. Usually held as part of Family Literacy Night.
Yearbook	Help the chairpersons and students design, edit and publish the school yearbook. Photographers are also needed to take candid photos of classrooms throughout the year.