

# Volunteers in Public Schools

*Business Partners • Community Members • Parents • Grandparents • HISD Employees • Seniors • Students*



**Volunteers in Public Schools (VIPS)** recruits thousands of parents and community partners to donate their time, resources, and knowledge in support of the district's primary goal to increase student achievement. Volunteers contribute in areas such as mentoring, tutoring, fundraising, career education, enrichment programs, extracurricular and community service activities, and office and classroom assistance. After registering online and undergoing the annual background check, volunteers can work in any HISD school for the school year.

## Volunteer Opportunities

- After-School Programs
- Career Education Speakers
- Field Trip Chaperones
- Community Service Projects
- Districtwide Programs
- Extracurricular Activity/Judge
- Fundraising
- Office/classroom or library assistance
- Mentoring/Tutoring

For more information about volunteering in HISD schools, please contact:

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## How can I become a VIPS?

All volunteers must register online. All volunteers must pass an annual criminal background check before they can participate as a volunteer. Please follow the steps below to become a VIPS:

**Step 1:** Register online at [www.houstonisd.org/vipslogin](http://www.houstonisd.org/vipslogin).

**Step 2:** Once you have registered, you must go in person to the school of interest and show photo identification.

**Step 3:** Identification information will go into our database for processing by the Volunteer Coordinator at each campus.

**Step 4:** The criminal history background check can take 2-3 weeks to complete.

**Step 5:** Once you are CLEARED to volunteer, you are eligible to volunteer throughout HISD.

## What types of photo identification are accepted?

- Texas Driver's License
- Official Passport
- Texas Identification Card
- Official U. S. Military ID
- Driver's License (issued by any state in the U.S.)
- Matricula Consular
- Identification Card (issued by any state in the U.S.)
- Resident Alien Card



## What is next?

- Contact your campus of interest for volunteer opportunities.
- Sign in and out when volunteering on a campus to document hours of service.

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