

Q. Who can volunteer?

A. *Anyone over the age of 18.*

Q. Where can I volunteer?

A. *You may volunteer at any school that is currently accepting volunteers.*

Q. I have children attending different schools, may I volunteer at more than one school.

A. *Yes, you may volunteer at as many schools as you like.*

Q. Who needs a background screening?

A. *Any adult working closely with students on an ongoing basis must be screened.*

Q. What is the difference between a chaperone and a volunteer?

A. *A Chaperone is a person, usually a parent or guardian who volunteers for occasional activities under the direct supervision of district staff. Chaperones include room parents, persons who assist with field days, or class parties. Chaperones are not required to submit to a background screening.*

A volunteer is a person who assists the school on a regular basis. Volunteers may periodically be left alone with students. Examples include tutors and, mentors. A background screening is necessary to become a volunteer.

Q. Why do volunteers need to have a background screening?

A. *The background screening is designed to assure that we provide the safest environment for our students and volunteers.*

Q. How do I get started?

A. *The District has partnered with YouthFriends, a nationally recognized school based tutor/mentoring initiative to provide volunteer services to the Kansas City Missouri School District. For additional information on volunteer opportunities, please call (816) 418-5347 or (816) 418-4856 or visit the YouthFriends website at WWW.youthfriends.org. Additional information is available through the Kansas City Missouri Public Information Office at (816) 418-7549.*