

CUSD Volunteer Policy Update

February 9, 2009

Key Areas of Focus

- ▶ Review volunteer policy requirements & procedures
- ▶ Discuss school procedures for non-enrolled siblings

Volunteer Policy

History of Implementation

- Major District Objective (MDO) – 2007

Provide a safe, orderly, clean and healthy environment at each school site .

- Adoption of BP 1240

Volunteer Assistance – establishment of procedures to protect the safety of students and adults, ensuring that all volunteers who work directly with students on a regular basis have tuberculosis testing and an appropriate criminal record check.

- Implementation December 1, 2008

Volunteer Definition

- A parent, community member or other adult who assists at a school site or program on a regular or semi-regular basis.
- Those who help on a one-time basis transporting or working with children without the direct oversight of certificated staff.
- Parents who observe or visit their child at school on a regular basis for more than 15 minutes at a time.

Volunteer Requirements

All ongoing volunteers are required to:

- Sign In/Out at the school office
- Display Volunteer Badge
 - Sign Volunteer Application Form/Handbook
 - Receive clearance through the DOJ
 - Submit appropriate TB screening

How does CUSD compare?

Data Collected From OC Register September 26, 2008

DISTRICT	FINGERPRINT	SEX OFFENDER	TB
Anaheim City	1:1 Tutoring	No	1:1 Tutoring
Anaheim Union	Yes	No	Yes
Brea-Olinda Union	No	Yes	Some
Buena Park	No	Yes	No
Capistrano USD	Yes	Yes	Yes
Centralia	Some (long-term)	No	Some (long-term)
Cypress	No	Yes	Some (regular work)
Fountain Valley	No	Yes	Yes

How does CUSD compare? (cont'd)

Data Collected From OC Register September 26, 2008

DISTRICT	FINGERPRINT	SEX OFFENDER	TB
Fullerton	Some (overnight)	No	No
Garden Grove	Some (extracurricular)	Yes	Yes
Huntington Beach	No	No	Yes
Irvine	No	Yes	No
Laguna Beach	Yes	No	Yes
Newport Mesa	Some (limited contact)	Optional (limited contact)	Yes
Oceanview	No	Encouraged	Yes
Orange	Most (5+ hours/week)	Some	Most
Placentia Yorba Linda	Some (PTA exempt)	No	Some
Saddleback Valley	Most (regular contact)	Yes	Most

Show Me the Numbers

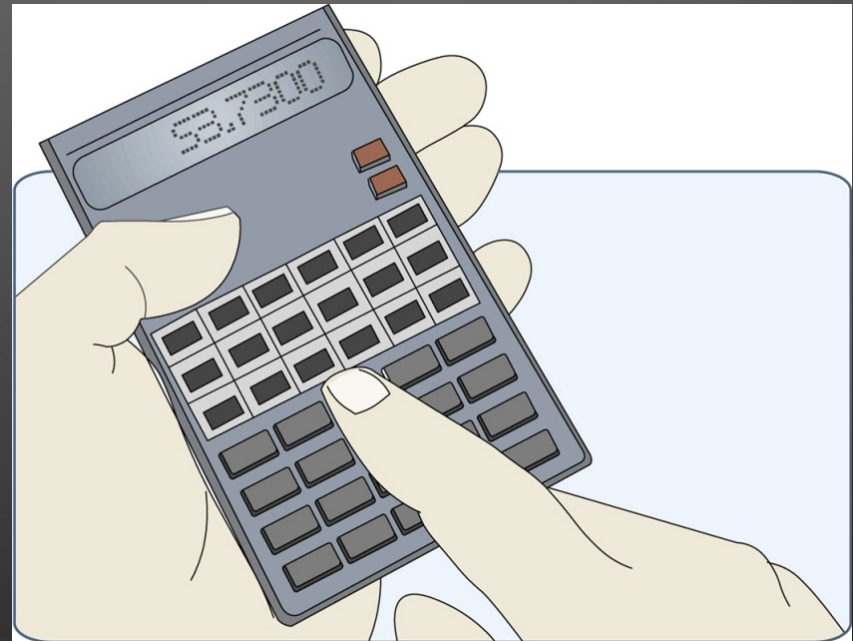
- ▶ Total Volunteers Processed (as of 1/9/09):

6802

- ▶ Pending:

182

See page 7 in handout



Sibling Policy

Ed. Code Chapter 1.5 – Parent Involvement

Volunteers work with the approval and under the direct supervision of the teacher.

CUSD Volunteer Handbook

As a general rule, younger siblings should not accompany parent volunteers to school when they are volunteering. Pre-schoolers and younger siblings can be a distraction to students, staff, and parent volunteers in the classroom. Additionally, younger siblings need to be supervised carefully for their own safety in the school environment. Some of the equipment that is used by volunteers should not be accessible and is not safe for pre-schoolers (laminating machines, paper cutters, scissors, staplers, copy machines, etc.).

School Data

No

Ambuehl	Ladera Ranch
Bathgate	ANHS
Bergeson	Wagon Wheel
Chaparral	BAMS
Crown Valley	Las Palmas
CVHS	SCHS
Del Obispo	THS
Kinoshita	Tijeras Creek
Las Flores	Arroyo Vista
Oso Grande	RH Dana ENF
Palisades	Don Juan Avila
Reilly	Laguna Niguel
RH Dana	
Vista Del Mar	

Qualified

Barcelona Hills
Benedict
Castille
Concordia
Hidden Hills
Lobo
Malcom
Moulton
Oak Grove
San Juan
Wood Canyon

Yes

Las Flores MS
Niguel Hills Middle School
Shorecliffs Middle School
Vista del Mar Middle School

General Comments

Positives

- ▶ Tremendous work initially, but recent reports indicate process moving smoothly.
- ▶ Parents expressed appreciation for more stringent controls.
- ▶ Success with on-site fingerprint/TB testing.
- ▶ Some schools provided financial assistance.
 - PTA, SSC, Title I

Concerns

- ▶ Deterrent for families who do not want to undergo DOJ checks
 - privacy, cost, etc.
- ▶ Secondary schools noted more difficulty in recruiting volunteers due to policy.
- ▶ Tracking and monitoring on ongoing basis

Things to consider:

- TB renewal.
- Streamline types of volunteers who need to be fingerprinted
 - supervised vs. unsupervised contact
- Include fingerprint information in kdg. packets
- Offer periodic fingerprint/TB clinics at district
- Work with PTA/SSC to develop parent compacts for financial assistance
- Provide district-issued ID badge