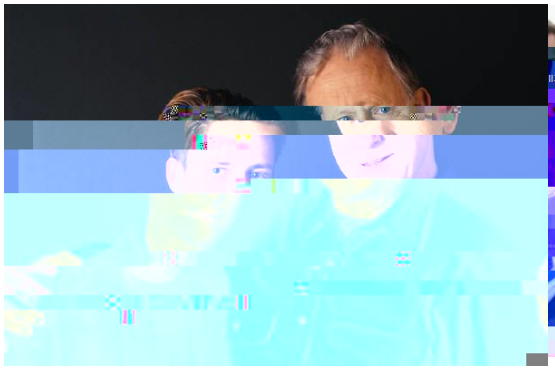
2023-2024

School Year

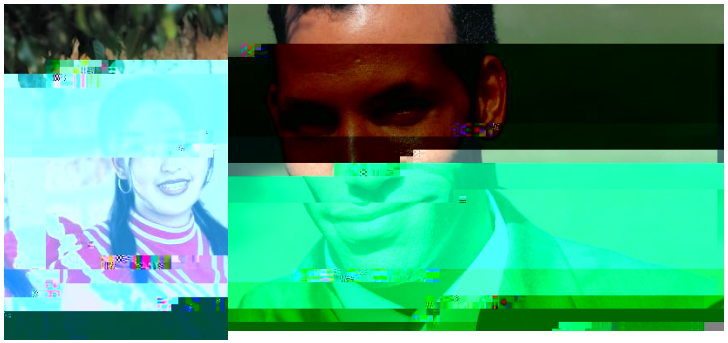
Requires

Adequate screening & supervision of volunteers based upon the amount of contact they will have with students.

Adequate training of volunteers, including familiarizing volunteers with applicable laws, board policies, administrative procedures and school rules.



Gaston County Schools welcomes parents and patrons to volunteer and become involved in supporting students, teachers and public education.

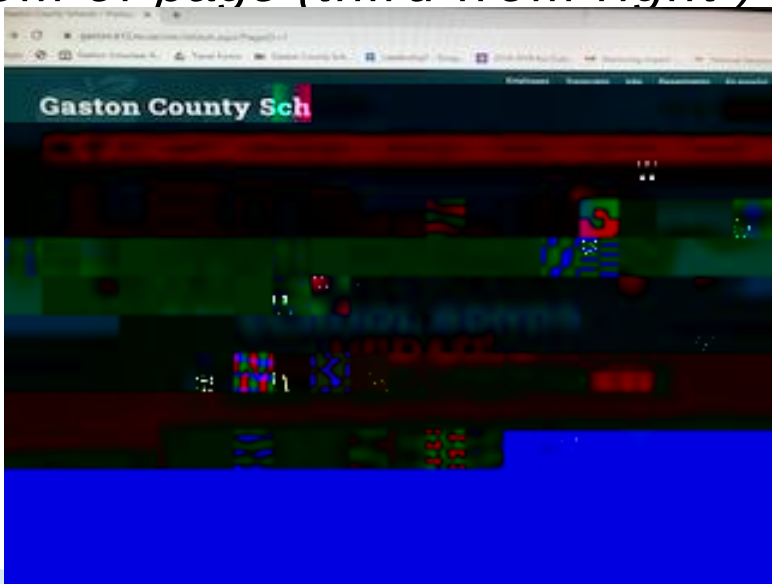


www.gastonschoolvolunteers.com

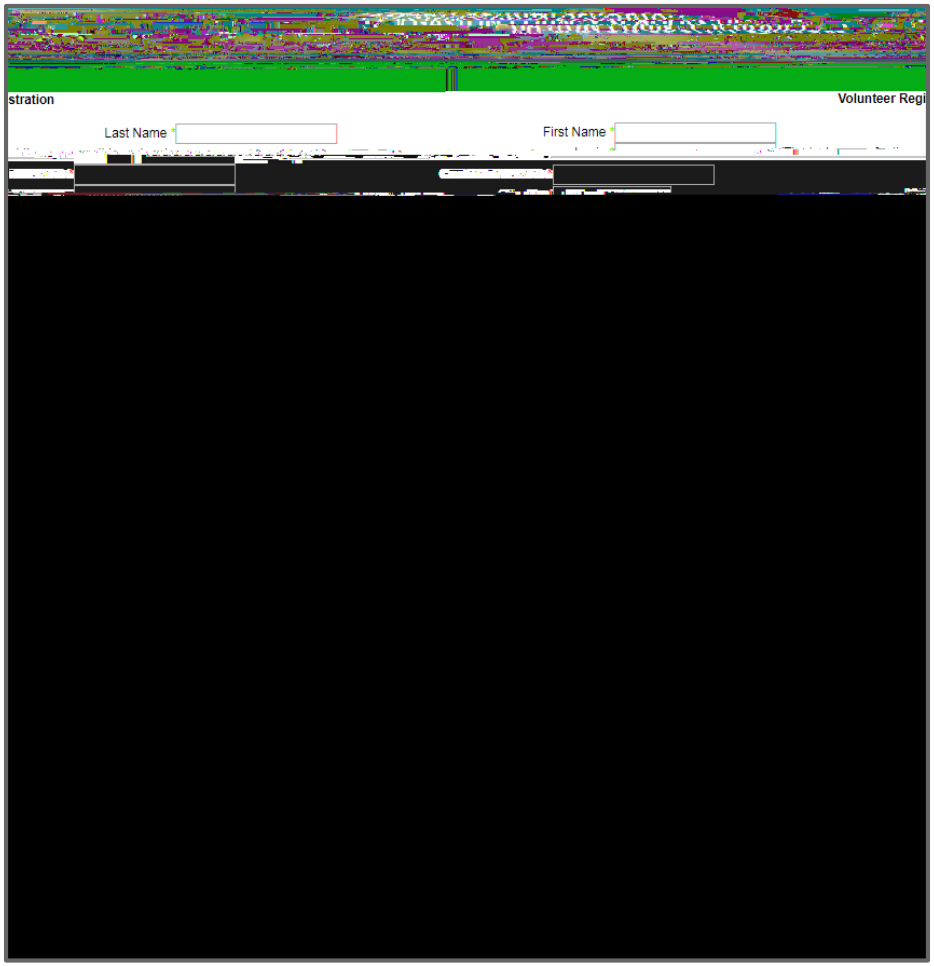
OR

Go to the Gaston County Schools Website and click on the "Volunteers" Icon -

Bottom of page (third from right)



A view of the one page application



The following five slides cover the 10 Item "Code of Conduct" for Volunteers

Items 1 - 10

#4. I will not disclose, use or disseminate student photographs or personal information about students.

#5. I agree not to exchange telephone numbers, home addresses, e-mail addresses or any other home directory information with students. I agree not to contact students outside of school hours.

#6. As a volunteer, I understand that I should not be alone at any time with any student(s) and always under the sight, sound and supervision of a Gaston County School staff employee.

#7. While volunteering at school, I will use specified (adult) restroom facilities. When chaperoning field trips, volunteers should work in pairs to escort students to rest room facilities.

#9. I agree to do what is in the best personal and educational interests of every child with whom I come in contact.

By initialing ***the Code of Conduct Items #1 through #10 on the online application, you acknowledge that you will accept and abide by the procedures and protocol for volunteers***

Be aware of the content of your personal postings on Social Networking Sites. Adjust settings to ensure your privacy and protection.

Be aware of specific elements of Code of Conduct #5 that apply to posting photographs. As a volunteer, you do

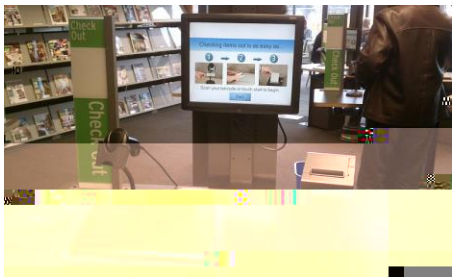
Check in on arrival:

Scan Driver's License or other acceptable ID to check in each time you come to volunteer

Insert ID Photo face up to scan.

Check out when leaving:

Scan bar code of your printed visitor badge to <u>check out</u> when leaving building.



ID Badges

ID badges printed from the Visitor Management System will contain your photograph on the left along with the date of visit.

Remove backing and place sticker to clothing so it is visible.

- Id badge will have a bar code on the right which you will scan to check out when leaving the school.

What is Sexual Harassment?

Sexual Harassment as defined in
Gaston County Schools
Policy Code 1275/1276

"Unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature."

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Continued or repeated offensive sexual flirtations, advances, jokes, humorous comments, or propositions or repeated verbal remarks.

Deliberate unwelcome touching of a sexual nature.

Sexual Harassment by employees, students and non employees including volunteers and visitors, should be reported to a school official (principal/administrator).

The school district has a Title IX coordinator that may also receive reports or concerns.

website : *www.gaston.k12.nc.us/Page/8992*

Work positively for the good of the school.

Praise and encourage students.

Make comments harmful to the reputation of any pupil, professional or other volunteer.

Get physical with a child.

Violate confidentiality by passing on information to the community.

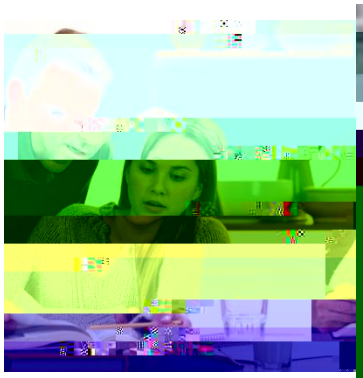
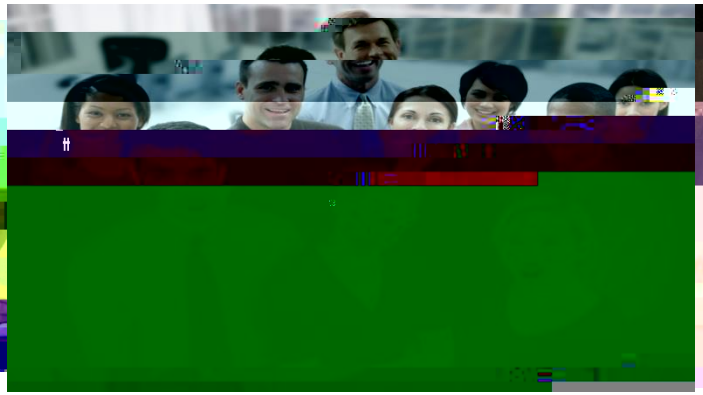
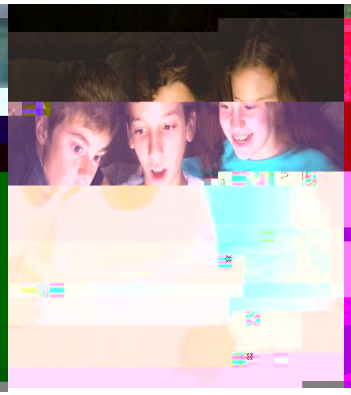
Do I have to submit a new application each year?

Now that I have completed orientation when can I begin volunteering?

Volunteer assignments are made at the school level. Contact the school(s) where you plan to serve to discuss your volunteer schedule.

I chose more than one school to volunteer at but only received an email from one saying I am approved. Will I be able to volunteer at the other schools?

Each school principal accepts and reviews applications for their

Volunteers are an important resource to our school district.

Your conscientious gift of time can make a difference for students, teachers and our school system.

Volunteerism is an honorable and cherished contribution to our society.

Email: businesspartnerships@gaston.k12.nc.us

Include:

1. *Your NAME as it appears on your application*
2. *The date you reviewed the Orientation Power point*
3. *Include the following statement :*

"I have completed an online orientation and agree to abide by the Code of Conduct for Gaston County Schools as stated in this power point"

4. *Add your initials to the statement.*

THANK YOU
FOR YOUR INTEREST AND SUPPORT OF GASTON COUNTY SCHOOLS!!