

BENEFITS FOR VOLUNTEERS

Insurance Coverage

MCPS Regulation EIB-RA states that "the Board of Education of Montgomery County has included funds in the operating budget to provided general liability protection for all employees and volunteer workers, while acting within the scope of their duties, up to certain limits and within certain stated exclusions."

A volunteer involved in a situation which could lead to legal action against him or her and/or the Board of Education should report the incident immediately to the school principal. This is particularly important if a parent or other citizen contacts the volunteer to question him or her or to register a complaint about the incident. A request from the Board's insurance company for further information must be responded to immediately.

For more information about insurance coverage for volunteers, please read Regulation EIB-RA online at www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/policy/pdf7eibra.pdf.

Riding the School Bus

Volunteers may ride a school bus to and/or from school if there is room on the bus. Bus routes cannot be changed to accommodate volunteers, and boarding and getting off the bus must take place at established stops. Volunteers must make arrangements with the principal prior to riding the bus.

Work Experience

Documented volunteer experiences can be listed on a resume, job application, or work record. Most companies and agencies consider volunteer service when considering an applicant for a job. Simply establish your record by signing in and out in the office.

Tax Deductions for Volunteers

A number of tax benefits are available for volunteers under the general charitable contribution deduction of the Internal Revenue Code. Volunteers may deduct some expenditures not reimbursed as part of giving to a school. Contact the local branch of the Internal Revenue Service for more information about specific deductions.

Montgomery County Teachers Federal Credit Union

MCPS volunteers have the opportunity to join in the Montgomery County Teachers Federal Credit Union. You can join the credit union by opening a Savings Account with a \$5 deposit and a letter of reference from a school administrator on the school letterhead.

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