



# Oakhill Day School Volunteer Guide

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## GET INVOLVED. MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

In order to host the numerous events and activities beloved by the Oakhill community, we rely heavily on the service of volunteers! There is a volunteer position that suites everyone's interests and schedule – whether you have lots of time to give each month or very little... we have a spot for you!

Below is a list of our current volunteer positions, a brief description of duties, and time commitment needed. Please do not hesitate to ask our Volunteer Contacts if you have any questions regarding volunteering at Oakhill Day School!

### VOLUNTEER CONTACTS:

Dorothy Beckham, Advancement Coordinator [dorothy.beckham@oakhilldayschool.org](mailto:dorothy.beckham@oakhilldayschool.org)  
Rebecca DiGerlamo, Director of Development [rebecca.digerlamo@oakhilldayschool.org](mailto:rebecca.digerlamo@oakhilldayschool.org)  
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## 2016-17 Volunteer Opportunities

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### ANNUAL AUCTION

The Annual Auction is the largest event organized annually by the Oakhill Day School Development Office. The Auction Committee, comprised of parents and school administration, plans the event from start to finish. The Annual Auction produces over \$150,000 in funds each year that help offset the “gap” in tuition.

#### Volunteer Responsibilities:

- Solicit and gather donations
- Event setup or tear down
- Participation in pre-auction events
- Attendance at committee meetings
- Event planning

#### Time Commitment:

One-time or ongoing

The Auction Committee meets 12-15 times per school year, usually early morning. (Approx. 25-30 hours)

*Minimum meeting attendance is required to sit on the Auction Committee, with the exception of volunteers performing specific duties. If you volunteer on a one-time basis (setup or teardown), meeting attendance is not required.*

**Event Date:** Saturday, March 4, 2017

**Start Time:** TBD (Early Evening)

**Set Up Time:** 12:00 P.M

#### Volunteer Contact:

Rebecca DiGerlamo, Development Director [rebecca.digerlamo@oakhilldayschool.org](mailto:rebecca.digerlamo@oakhilldayschool.org)

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### ANNUAL FUND CLASSROOM REPRESENTATIVE

We need you to be the Annual Fund cheerleader for your class by updating giving percentages, reminders on Annual Fund deadlines, and supporting Development by planning classroom participation incentives and encouraging others to give!

**Volunteer Responsibilities:**

- Communicating Annual Fund messages
- Regular communication with the Development Office on class status
- Assist in planning classroom giving incentives

**Time Commitment:**

Ongoing

Annual Fund Class Representatives meet with the Development Director, as needed, at a time convenient for both volunteer and Development Director. *This is a great volunteer opportunity for those who have busier schedules during working hours Monday-Friday. There are many **after-hours and weekend opportunities** available.*

**Volunteer Contact:**

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## ART AND SCIENCE EXPO

The Art and Science Expo is a fun open house event where students display work from Art and Science completed throughout the year.

**Volunteer Responsibilities:**

- Event set up or tear down
- Preparing artwork for display (matting, etc.)
- Science display board set up

**Time Commitment:**

One-time (Approximately 2-3 hours)

**Event Date:** Tuesday, February 28, 2017

**Set Up Time:** 12:00 p.m.

**Start Time:** 5:00 p.m.

**Volunteer Contact:**

Dena Cole, Lower School Science Specialist

[dena.cole@oakhilldayschool.org](mailto:dena.cole@oakhilldayschool.org)

Lori Stallman, Art Specialist

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## BOOK FAIR

The Book Fair is an event that occurs twice per year, fall and again in the spring. Book Fair funds are used to purchase new books for student use in the Library.

**Volunteer Responsibilities:**

- Event set up or tear down
- Help students pick out books
- Run cash register for purchases

**Time Commitment:**

One-time, hourly shifts available

**Event Date:** October 31-November 4 and May 1-5

**Set up Time:** Volunteer Contact will assign

**Start Time:** Various daily hours (1+ hour shifts)

**Volunteer Contact:**

Claudia Feaster, Library Specialist

[claudia.feaster@oakhilldayschool.org](mailto:claudia.feaster@oakhilldayschool.org)

## BOOSTER CLUB

The Booster Club at Oakhill Day School promotes and fosters growth and interest in the boys' and girls' athletic programs. This support includes promoting parent and community involvement with the athletic teams, attending their athletic events, as well as sponsoring and organizing programs to honor the athletic participants.

### **Volunteer Responsibilities:**

- Working the concession stand at home sporting and all-school events
- Preparing food to be sold at concessions
- Promoting athletic events
- Booster Club membership

### **Time Commitment:**

One-time or ongoing

### **Event Date/Time:** Varies

*Booster Club is a great volunteer opportunity for those who have busier schedules during working hours Monday-Friday. There are many **after-hours and weekend opportunities** available.*

### **Volunteer Contact:**

Kellen Smith, Athletics Coordinator      [kellen.smith@oakhilldayschool.org](mailto:kellen.smith@oakhilldayschool.org)

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## CARNIVAL

The Carnival is one of the first community events of the year and serves as a time for Oakhill families, old and new, to get to know one another during this fun, family-centered event.

### **Volunteer Responsibilities:**

- Event setup or tear down
- Assisting with rides or games
- Event planning
- Solicit volunteers

### **Time Commitment:**

One-time or ongoing

*Minimum meeting attendance is required to sit on planning committee; with the exception of volunteers performing specific duties. If you volunteer on a one-time basis (setup or teardown), meeting attendance is not required.*

**Event Date:** Friday, August 26, 2016

**Set Up Time:** 12:00 p.m.

**Start Time:** 5 p.m.

### **Volunteer Contact:**

Dorothy Beckham, Advancement Coordinator      [dorothy.beckham@oakhilldayschool.org](mailto:dorothy.beckham@oakhilldayschool.org)

Jeanne Saylor, 2016-17 PTO President      [jsaylor@rmxkc.com](mailto:jsaylor@rmxkc.com)

Michele Yager, Carnival Parent Coordinator      [onelmichele70@gmail.com](mailto:onelmichele70@gmail.com)

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## CHILDREN'S AUCTION

The Children's Auction is part of Annual Auction, a major Development fundraiser at Oakhill Day School. Children's Auction allows the students to be part of the fun surrounding Auction by offering them an opportunity to "bid" on fun items like toys and games, along with games, concessions, and other fun child-centered activities during this event.

**Volunteer Responsibilities:**

- Solicit and gather donations
- Event set up or tear down
- Event planning
- Attendance at committee meetings

**Time Commitment:**

One-time or ongoing

*Meeting attendance is required to sit on planning committee. If you volunteer on a one-time basis, meeting attendance is not required.*

**Event Date:** Wednesday, February 22, 2017

**Set Up Time:** 11:00 a.m.

**Start Time:** 3:30 p.m.

**Volunteer Contact:**

Rebecca DiGerlamo, Development Director

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## COMMUNITY EVENTS

PTO at Oakhill Day School offers several community events each year ranging from Family Movie Night on the Lawn and events for each Division. PTO helps with these events... everything from set up and promotion, to giveaways during the event and more.

**Volunteer Responsibilities:**

- Event setup or tear down
- Handing out giveaways at event
- Helping with food/concessions when offered
- Help promote events during carline

**Time Commitment:**

One-time or ongoing

**Event Date/Time:** Varies

**Volunteer Contact:**

Jeanne Saylor, 2016-17 PTO President

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## DANCES (MOTHER/SON AND FATHER/DAUGHTER)

The Dances at Oakhill are a great opportunity for Mother and Son or Father and Daughter to bond during a fun event full of music, dancing, and more!

**Volunteer Responsibilities:**

- Event set up or tear down
- Event planning
- Chaperone on event night

**Time Commitment:**

One-time or ongoing

*Meeting attendance is required to sit on planning committee. If you volunteer on a one-time basis, meeting attendance is not required. The Dances are great volunteer opportunities for those who have busier schedules during working hours Monday-Friday. There are **after-hours and weekend opportunities** available.*

**Event Date:** Mother/Son January 27, 2017 and Father/Daughter January 28, 2017

**Start Time:** 7:00 p.m.

**Volunteer Contact:**

Jennifer Latier, Parent Chair

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## GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Golf Tournament hosts 100-150 participants and school volunteers. This community building and fundraising event consists of players both inside and outside Oakhill and is a positive way to help support Oakhill Day School.

**Volunteer Responsibilities:**

- Secure raffle donations and sell raffle ticket during event
- Solicit sponsorships
- Assist with set up and tear down

**Time Commitment:**

One-time or ongoing

*Meeting attendance is required to sit on planning committee. If you volunteer on a one-time basis, meeting attendance is not required. The Golf Tournament is a great volunteer opportunity for those who have busier schedules during working hours Monday-Friday. There are **after-hours and weekend opportunities** available.*

**Event Date:** Sunday, September 18, 2016

**Set Up Time:** 10:00 a.m.

**Start Time:** 1 p.m.

**Volunteer Contact:**

Rebecca DiGerlamo, Development Director

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## GRANDPARENTS AND SPECIAL FRIENDS DAY

Grandparents and Special Friends look forward to these days when Oakhill invites them into the classroom for a presentation and reception with a student near and dear to their hearts.

**Volunteer Responsibilities:**

- Refill reception snack tables
- Event set up and tear down
- Welcome/Greet guests
- Assist guests to their special persons classroom

**Time Commitment:**

One-time

**Event Date:** October 6 – 7, 2016, various times throughout the day

**Volunteer Contact:**

Jeanne Saylor, 2016-17 PTO President

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Dina Hamilton, Parent Coordinator

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## HOLIDAY SHOPPE

Holiday Shoppe is a great time for students to get in the Holiday Spirit as they shop for family and friends, allowing them to shop independent of their parents for family gifts.

**Volunteer Responsibilities:**

- Restock holiday gift items
- Assist students with shopping and gift wrapping
- Collect money and run cash register
- Event set up and tear down

**Time Commitment:**

One-time

**Event Date:** December 5-9, 2016, various times throughout the day

**Volunteer Contact:**

Jeanne Saylor, 2015-16 PTO President

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Michele Yager, Holiday Shoppe Parent Coordinator

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Sharon Phillips, Central Office Coordinator

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## LIBRARY

Have you ever wanted to work in a library? If so, then now is your chance! The time commitment can range from a few hours once a week to a few hours every other week, depending on the number of volunteers. Duties involve checking books in/out during your scheduled time slot, as well as filing books away. It is a lot of fun!

**Volunteer Responsibilities:**

- Checking books in and out
- Re-shelving books
- Helping faculty and students locate books in the library

**Time Commitment:**

One-time or ongoing

**Event Date/Time:** Various

**Volunteer Contact:**

Claudia Feaster, Library Specialist

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Haley Eisler, Parent Chair

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## LUNCHROOM

Volunteering in the dining hall is a great way to volunteer and interact with students of all ages. There are three lunch shifts daily and we invite volunteers to sign up for one or all!

**Volunteer Responsibilities:**

- Wiping down tables between lunch shifts
- Serving milk to students
- Sweeping and light clean up
- Assist with setup and service of salad bar on Fridays

**Time Commitment:**

One-time or ongoing

**Event Date/Time:** Various

**Volunteer Contact:**

Justin Kieslich, Food Services Director

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## PTO

Although every parent at Oakhill is officially a member of the PTO, we still need volunteers to serve on the PTO Board. The PTO Board is a great way to meet new people while helping organize fun events to help foster school spirit! **PTO Board meetings are open to everyone.**

### **Volunteer Responsibilities:**

- Board meeting attendance
- Responsibilities are dependent on position of service to the board

### **Time Commitment:**

One-time or ongoing

The PTO board meets approximately 9 times, once per month (typically afternoons), during the school year (10-20+ hours total – dependent on role). *Minimum meeting attendance is required to sit on the PTO Board; with the exception of volunteers performing specific duties. If you volunteer on a one-time basis, meeting attendance is not required.*

### **Volunteer Contact:**

Jeanne Saylor, 2015-16 PTO President

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Suzanne McCanles, Head of School

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## ROOM PARENTS

Room Parents serve as the point person for communication with parents from your given class and provide other support as needed within the classroom.

### **Volunteer Responsibilities:**

- Facilitate and coordinate classroom parties
- Organize holiday/birthday gifts for classroom teachers
- Assist classroom teacher with various tasks (only when needed)
- Communicate with classes via email

### **Time Commitment:**

Ongoing

The typical commitment for a Room Parent is one school year. Two volunteers can split this position so that a classroom has two active Room Parents.

### **Classroom Party Schedule (2016-17):**

Halloween – 2 day (October 27) and 3/5 day (October 31)

Winter - 2 day (December 15) and 3/5 day (December 16)

Valentine - 3 day (February 13) and 2/5 day (February 14)

### **Volunteer Contact:**

Jeanne Saylor, 2016-17 PTO President

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Liz Edmondson, Room Parent Coordinator

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## RUNNING EVENT AND HARVEST FEST

Oakhill's Panther Scamper 5k and Fun Dash have become a fun and exciting annual event! We need your help getting this fun event ready... everything from setup to staffing spots on the course during the run.

The Harvest Fest will be held in conjunction with our 5K Running Event. We will have a bounce house, trunk or treat, food, game(s), face painting, DJ and a performance by our own Middle School Garage Band.

**Volunteer Responsibilities:**

- Run water stations on course
- Remove shoe tags from runners
- Hand out water
- Hand out race packets
- Place signs along course

**Time Commitment:**

One-time or ongoing

*Volunteering for the running event is great for those who have busier schedules during working hours Monday through Friday. There are **after-hours opportunities** available.*

**Event Date:** Saturday, October 29, 2016

**Start Time:** 5K 9:00a.m., Kids Dash 10:00am, Harvest Fest 10:00am

**Volunteer Contact:**

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## TEACHER APPRECIATION

This committee of parents provides snacks and other special treats for the Oakhill teaching staff at various times throughout the year.

**Volunteer Responsibilities:**

- Preparing food for special faculty appreciation lunches
- Purchasing food to be used for special faculty appreciation lunches

**Time Commitment:**

One-time or ongoing

*Volunteering for teacher appreciation is great for those who have busier schedules during working hours Monday-Friday. There are **after-hours opportunities** available.*

**Volunteer Contact:**

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Eric Mangum, Teacher Appreciation Parent Coordinator [eric\\_mangum@yahoo.com](mailto:eric_mangum@yahoo.com)

Sharon Phillips, Central Office Coordinator

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## TRAP SHOOT

The annual Trap Shoot event hosts participants and school volunteers. This community building and fundraising event consists of players both inside and outside Oakhill and is a positive way to help support Oakhill Day School.

**Volunteer Responsibilities:**

- Secure raffle donations and sell raffle ticket during event
- Solicit sponsorships
- Assist with set up and tear down

**Time Commitment:**

One-time or ongoing

*Meeting attendance is required to sit on planning committee. If you volunteer on a one-time basis, meeting attendance is not required. The Trap Shoot is a great volunteer opportunity for those who have busier schedules during working hours Monday- Friday. There are **after-hours and weekend opportunities** available.*



**Event Date:** Spring 2017

**Set Up Time:** TBD

**Start Time:** TBD

**Volunteer Contact:**

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