

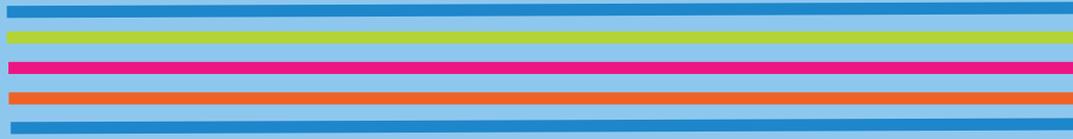


THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF
PHILADELPHIA

Getting Involved *at Your Child's School*

The Office of Family and Community Engagement (FACE)





Become a
Volunteer!



Where do I start...?



Join a
Group!



Want work with other people?



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School Advisory Council (SAC)

Sit at the table with the principal, staff, community members, & other families to help make decisions about the school.

www.philasd.org/sac



Home & School Association (HSA)

Participate in fundraisers + event planning; learn how to support your child.

<http://www.philahsc.org/>



“Friends Of” Group

Work with members of your community to provide resources and raise funds for your neighborhood school.

[http://www.philacrosstown.org/
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Join a Group!



School Advisory Council (SAC)

HOW TO JOIN: Apply online at www.philasd.org/sac

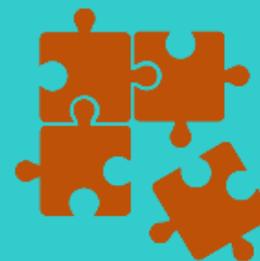
WHAT YOU'LL DO:

- Discuss how to improve the school
- Plan projects that help improve academic achievement, climate & culture, and family engagement at the school

YOU SHOULD JOIN IF:

- You enjoy looking at school data
- You want to help make decisions at the school
- You want to build stronger relationships with teachers and the principal

QUESTIONS: Contact sac@philasd.org or 215-400-4180, option #3





https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g_b-dNV92QA



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Home & School Association (HSA)

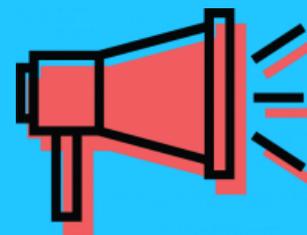
HOW TO JOIN: Sign up online at <http://www.philahsc.org/>

WHAT YOU'LL DO:

- Hold fundraisers for the school
- Plan school events

YOU SHOULD JOIN IF:

- You want to meet other parents
- You enjoy fundraising and event planning



QUESTIONS: Contact Shakeeda Gaines, Interim President,
motheroftheyear3@hotmail.com



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“Friends Of” Group

HOW TO JOIN: Go to <http://www.philacrosstown.org/fone-schools-directory> to find out if your school has a “Friends Of” Group

WHAT YOU’LL DO:

- Host large and/or on-going fundraisers for the school
- Write grants to support the school



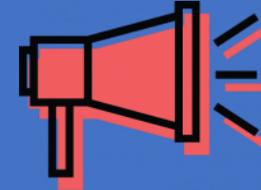
YOU SHOULD JOIN IF:

- You want to meet new parents who do not yet have children in the school
- You enjoy grant writing, pledge drives, and fundraising

QUESTIONS: Jeff Hornstein, Friends of Neighborhood Education Steering Committee, jeff.hornstein@gmail.com



SAC vs. HSA



School Advisory Council

Includes ALL stakeholders

No membership dues

Purpose: talk about issues at the school

- Student achievement
- Climate & culture
- Family engagement

CANNOT fundraise

FACE Office / District program

Home & School Association

Parents ONLY (staff can join, but cannot vote)

Pay membership dues

Purpose: fundraising & event planning

- 501c3 non-profit
- Overseen by Home & School Council
- Separate from District

Can fundraise

NOT a FACE Office / District program



Can't commit to a group?



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INSTRUCTIONAL

Support student learning under the guidance of teachers:

- Tutoring
- Mentoring
- Reading Support



ADMINISTRATIVE

Help with tasks outside of the classroom:

- Office help
- Making copies and stuffing folders
- Sitting at the school's welcome desk



SPECIAL EVENTS

Support school-wide and special events:

- Book Fairs
- Career Days
- Field trips
- Community Volunteer Days



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HOW DO I BECOME A VOLUNTEER?



*New for 2017-2018
School Year!!*

1. Fill out a **Volunteer Application** –
www.philasd.org/face/volunteer
2. Complete a **Volunteer Packet**



Become a Volunteer!



THE VOLUNTEER PACKET

- Volunteer Code of Conduct Agreement
- Child Abuse History Clearance
- PA State Criminal Background Check
- FBI Background Check OR Signed Volunteer Affirmation Sheet
- Certificate of Volunteer Orientation Completion



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VOLUNTEER CODE OF CONDUCT

Print, read, and sign.

Available online:

www.philasd.org/face/volunteer





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CLEARANCES



**Child Abuse History
Clearance – FREE**



**PA State Criminal
Background Check – FREE**



If you **HAVE** lived in PA
for the past 10 years...

If you have **NOT** lived in
PA for the past 10 years...

**Signed Volunteer
Affirmation Sheet – FREE**

**FBI Background
Check – \$24.25**



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VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION

Starting in 2017-2018 School Year, ALL volunteers must complete a Volunteer Orientation within 45 days of their volunteer start date.

Attend Orientation **in-person** at
440 N. Broad OR at school sites

OR

Take Orientation **online** (webinar):
www.philasd.org/face/volunteer



QUESTIONS?

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