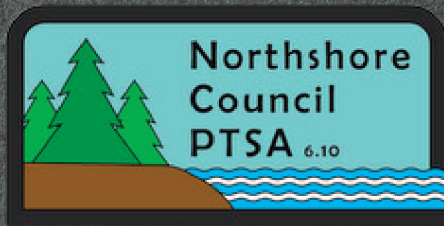


Volunteering with PTA

MYTH

VS.

TRUTH



MYTH

PTAs only need volunteers in elementary school.

TRUTH

PTAs in our Middle Schools & High Schools need volunteers as well, but it may look a bit different than it did in elementary.

Many of the volunteers at the secondary level are "behind the scenes" helping to coordinate teacher grants, planning end of the year grad celebrations, or working with the ASB to increase resources. And, of course, all levels of PTAs need volunteers to fill the role of their executive board which includes positions such as President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

MYTH

Volunteering for PTA has no impact on my child's school experience.

TRUTH

Not only does volunteering for PTA connect you with other parents and teachers at your school, it also shows your child that you are interested and invested in their educational experience.

Research has proven that parental involvement within the child's school increases academic achievements and decreases behavior issues.

Additionally, volunteers are the ones who make PTA programming and support possible in order to better each and every child's school experience!

MYTH

I don't have the experience to be a PTA Volunteer.

TRUTH

There is no experience necessary to volunteer!

In fact, there are supports for new and returning PTA volunteers such as training classes, resource guides, online toolkits, and ways to connect with other PTA volunteers to ask questions and get help (such as Council's Facebook groups, office hours, and website).

MYTH

Volunteering for PTA is only for stay-at-home moms.

TRUTH

Anyone can be a PTA Volunteer!

A parent with a full time job who is only available in the evenings or weekends, a grandpa who wants to stay active during retirement, an auntie who wants to teach a fun hip-hop class after school, a neighbor from down the street who wants to give back to their community - all of these people and so many more make great volunteers!

MYTH

The same people volunteer every year; I'm not needed.

TRUTH

While it's great to have dedicated volunteers return each year, PTAs welcome and need new volunteers each year!

There are term limits for elected volunteers, events that are growing in attendance, and new program ideas being suggested - all of which benefit from an increase in new volunteers.

**PTAs Need
YOU!**