

North Santiam School District

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School Volunteers

Community patrons who voluntarily contribute their time and talents to the improvement and enrichment of the public schools instructional and other programs are valuable assets. The Board encourages constructive participation of groups and individuals in the school to perform appropriate tasks during and after school hours under the direction and supervision of professional personnel.

¹Any person authorized by the district for volunteer service into a position that will have direct, unsupervised contact with students shall be required each school year to undergo an Oregon criminal records check.

Any volunteer who knowingly makes a false statement, as determined by the district, on a district volunteer application form may be denied the ability to volunteer in the district.

Nonexempt employees² may be permitted to volunteer to perform services for the district provided the volunteer activities do not involve the same or similar type of services³ as the employee's regularly assigned duties. In the event a nonexempt employee volunteers to perform services for the district that are the same or similar as the employee's regularly assigned duties, the Board recognizes that under the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA), overtime or compensatory time must be provided. These volunteer services must be preapproved by the principal.⁴

Recruitment, utilization, coordination, and training of volunteers is the responsibility of administration and will be carried out as directed or delegated by the superintendent. Every effort should be made to use volunteer resources in a manner which will ensure maximum contribution to the welfare and educational growth of students.

END OF POLICY

¹ The district must make a determination on whether volunteers will or will not have direct, unsupervised contact with students.

² There are three types of FLSA exemptions: those for executive, administrative and professional employees. Generally, employees who are exempt under the executive, administrative or professional exceptions must primarily perform executive, administrative, or professional duties at least 50 percent of the employee's time.

³ Instructional assistant duties are generally viewed to be the same type of service, supervising, and instructing students, as coaching.

⁴ Districts should review with legal counsel the use of non-exempt employees in extracurricular activity positions such as coaching and as advisers for cheerleading and other district-sponsored activities for FLSA district impact.

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS Chapter 243](#)
[ORS 326.607](#)

[ORS 332.107](#)

[OAR 581-021-0502](#)
[OAR 839-020-0005](#)

Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, 29 U.S.C. §§ 206-207 (2012).

Cross Reference(s):

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