

**Saint Helens
School District 502**

Code: **IICC**
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Orig. Code(s): IICC

Volunteer

This policy applies to all school volunteers even if there is no student contact involved with the volunteer assignment.

Citizens 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.

The administration is responsible for the recruitment, use, coordination and training of volunteers. Every effort should be made to utilize volunteer resources in a manner which will ensure maximum contribution to the welfare and educational growth of students. All volunteers will be subject to criminal history check and/or fingerprinting.

Nonexempt employees¹ may be permitted to volunteer to perform services for the district provided the volunteer activities do not involve the same or similar type of services² 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.³

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

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

[ORS 332.107](#)
[OAR 839-020-0005](#)

Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, 29 U.S.C. §§ 206-207 (2006).

Cross Reference(s):

GCDA/GDDA - Criminal Records Checks/Fingerprinting

¹There 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.

²Instructional assistant duties are generally viewed to be the same type of service, supervising and instructing students, as coaching.

³Districts should review with legal counsel the use of nonexempt employees in extracurricular activity positions such as coaching and as advisors for cheerleading and other district-sponsored activities for FLSA district impact.