

Hunter Gifted and Talented Magnet Elementary School

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2008-09 PTA Volunteer Form

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Dear Hunter Families:

I want to extend a warm welcome to all new Hunter families, and to returning families as well. I am inviting you to consider participating in our children's overall educational experience by becoming a PTA volunteer. Without the generous help of our many volunteers, the teachers and staff at Hunter would simply be unable to do the incredible jobs that they do. Volunteer opportunities at Hunter include, but also go far beyond spending time in your child's classroom. Below, **and continued on the back**, you will find a list of PTA-sponsored opportunities to volunteer. Please give thoughtful consideration to the ways in which you are willing to share your time and talents. We need you! **Check off any activities that interest you, and return this form in your child's Monday folder, or to the PTA box located in the office.** You will receive an acknowledgement of receipt of this form, and committee chairpersons will contact you about specific events/projects. If you have questions about a committee, please feel free to contact me, the committee chairperson, or our website (www.hunterelementary.org/pta/programs). Also, please be aware that if you will be volunteering in school or on field trips, you will need to register online annually as a Wake County Volunteer. You can do this in the Media Center.

Your Name: _____ Email Address: _____

Child(ren)'s Name(s) and Grades: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____

Occupation/Special Talents/Interests: _____

_____ **ALP (Accelerated Learning Program) - Hunter Buxton (hbuxton@bellsouth.net/862-8607 /Deirdre Council (eaglehdmc@nc.rr.com)**

Supports children who may need additional instruction to meet grade level objectives. Typically students have attended Saturday morning sessions staffed by Hunter teachers during the spring semester. The PTA organizes snacks and "power night" sessions for students and parents.

_____ **Awards - Chair position is currently open** – This group organizes our nominations for specific awards through the Wake County PTA.. This includes soliciting people to submit awards and then submitting them to the Wake Country PTA

_____ **Book Exchange – Debbie King (debking@nc.rr.com/870-7737)**

Swap event where students donate their outgrown, gently used children's books. Kids can then select "new" books to call their own.

_____ **Book Fair – Christine Kushner (ckushner@alumni.unc.edu/786-7424)**

Weeklong book sale held at Hunter to promote excitement and enthusiasm for reading, put good books in the hands of all students, and to supplement classroom libraries through use of teacher wish lists.

_____ **Building & Grounds – Kelly & Rob Blades (kellyb63@mindspring.com/366-1123)**

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Maintain and improve the school grounds including the courtyard and the playgrounds. Parents plan and carry out landscaping projects in collaboration with the PTA board and the Principal.

Eagles' Nest (school store) – Lynn Hess (tltighess@bellsouth.net/845-0974)

The school store sells school supplies and various spirit items. Open most Fridays from 8:45 to 9:15 am near the bus entrance. The intent is to provide children with opportunity to manage small amounts of money.

Grants – Chair position is currently open – This group helps teachers/staff find grant opportunities and acts as a resource as they write grants for funding of special projects and needs.

Health & Safety – Lisa Misrok (heyalisajohn@earthlink.net/859-9775 - Plan special programs around preventative health and safety and provide first-aid supplies for the school.

Hospitality – Kerry Ann Martinez (jmartinez18@nc.rr.com/870-0784)/Paige Pluska

(paigepluska@yahoo.com/848-8160)/ Lisa Brown (lisa.brown@corporateincentiveproducts.com/787-0578)

If you like to cook, bake, or entertain, this is the committee for you. We provide food and refreshments for various teacher, staff, parent and student functions throughout the year.

Hunter Heritage – Kris Rollins (krisrollins@earthlink.net /847-0688) / Paige Pluska

(paigepluska@yahoo.com /848-8160)/Karen Sullivan (kasull@hotmail.com /847-2914)

Hunter's annual school festival includes inflatable amusements, indoor games, concessions and local celebrities and entertainers.

Labels and Offers – Kerry Troester (kerry@troester.net /510-5414)/Becky Shermer (rshermer@bellsouth.net /845-1147)

Passive fundraising activities (i.e. Grocery Store Cards, Boxtops for Education/Campbell's soup labels/, etc.)

Legislative – Michele Goldman (bhgoldman1@earthlink.net/788-0487)/ Kelly Roberts

(robertsk@meredith.edu /676-3888)

Organize voting activities associated with Kids Vote. Keep PTA informed about relevant issues coming out of the School Board or County Commissioners Office.

Media – Debbie King (debking@nc.rr.com /870-7737)

PTA parent volunteers assist our media specialists with the ongoing operations of media center.

Membership – Malinda Sink (sinkorswim@nc.rr.com /845-6234)

Manages PTA membership enrollment of both parents and teachers. Encourages membership in PTA through information tables at all events during the first several months of the school year.

PTA News – Ashley Mason (amason9@nc.rr.com/848-6128)

Weekly PTA newsletter that goes home in the Monday folder.

Radical Reader – Jane Watson (jane.watson@wachovia.com/787-0363), Gina Flynn

(ginaflynn@nc.rr.com/786-1666)

A summer reading program that encourages all students to READ over the summer.

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_____ **Read-a-Thon – Andrea Sears (asears73@yahoo.com/325-0409)**

Annual pledge-based fundraising event that encourages students to read outside the school environment. All students who participate receive a certificate and prizes are awarded for the classrooms and individual with the most reading time.

_____ **Reflections – Laura Baer (lbaer@nc.rr.com/325-7970)**

The annual student art showcase sponsored by National PTA. Encompasses visual art, music, literature & photography.

_____ **Room Representatives –Siobhan Millen (siobhan@nc.rr.com/ 833-0383) / Maureen Donini**

(mad3762@earthlink.net/562-0781) Coordinates and provides support to Room Representatives for each classroom.

_____ **School Directory – Kevin Parker (tahalloran@nc.rr.com/841-1012)**

Compiles information from each student/family to put together and distribute a student directory for each family.

_____ **School Spirit – Bonita Williams (odom_williams@yahoo.com/250-0875)/Michele Morris**

(morrism@nc.rr.com/ 790-1175) Sells Hunter T-shirts, each year with a unique design. Also organizes and implements several fun school spirit/pride events.

_____ **Student Services – Robin Sealey (rsealey2@nc.rr.com 834-8942)**

Works with CIS staff to help meet identified material needs of Hunter students.

_____ **Study Circles – Stacy Ainbinder-Murray (spamurray@nc.rr.com/847-1631)**

Hunter parents, teachers and staff participate in small group discussions that bring together people of diverse backgrounds to discuss race relations and cultural diversity and how to work together for action and change at our school and in our community.

_____ **Technology – Anirban Sharma (Sharma.household@gmail.com/562-6920)**

Hunter website at <http://www.hunterelementary.org>. Works with Hunter teachers/staff to keep the website up to date, adds new content, creates email lists, etc.

_____ **Ways & Means –Mim Sichel (mimsmail@earthlink.net/845-4579)**

Organizes Hunter's major fundraising effort, the annual Phantom "Reach for the Stars" Fundraiser, which is launched in September. Also organizes the annual spring art magnets sale, coordinated with our Art teachers.

_____ **Yearbook – Aileen Carroll (aileenc@nc.rr.com/870-9081)**

Produces the school yearbook, collecting and taking pictures. Also works with the school photographer to assist on school picture days.

_____ **I am willing to help with events/activities as available – *Please feel free to call me (Volunteer-At-Large).***