



Davis Waldorf School

Resilience, Relationship, Reverence

2026-2027 Volunteer Agreement Form

Volunteer Guidelines

Volunteers play an important and valuable role at Davis Waldorf School (DWS). Students, teachers, staff, families, and the community benefit from the work of individuals like you who freely share their talents and resources. We know that as a volunteer, you, too, will be rewarded.

You Are Part of a Team

As a school volunteer you are a role model for students. Behave toward students and staff in a respectful manner that sets an example of professionalism and good citizenship.

Confidentiality

What you hear/observe about students or staff while volunteering at DWS is confidential. Even a seemingly harmless comment repeated to another can be misunderstood and cause harm. If a parent asks how their child is doing, please refer them to their teacher.

Reporting Child Abuse

School volunteers **ARE** mandatory reporters of suspected child neglect or abuse. If a student discloses that they are in a dangerous situation or if you have reason to suspect neglect/abuse, please report this information immediately following the directions at this link: [Yolo County Child Welfare Services](#).

How to Volunteer

Per California state law, all volunteers who may be alone with children **MUST** be live scanned and complete Mandated Reporter training. Getting Live Scanned entails providing fingerprints through the Live Scan system, using the form under the Volunteer Forms section on the [DWS Parent page](#). This will provide the school with updates through the FBI and Department of Justice databases for as long as you remain an active volunteer at the school. Mandated Reporter training must be completed through the General Volunteers link on [California state website](#) and will take 2 - 2.5 hours.

You, the volunteer, agree to pay the cost of the collection of fingerprints (can be up to \$100) to be paid at the time of the service. If this is a financial hardship, please contact the Registrar: registrar@daviswaldorf.org.

Volunteers:

- may not bring other children or pets on a field trip
- may not use cell phones or text while driving
- may not play music, unless it's instrumental, without class teacher approval

- may not show videos of any kind
- may not make unnecessary stops
- may not purchase snacks for the children in their car
- may not use, sell, provide, possess, or be under the influence of drugs/alcohol
- may not use tobacco in the presence of, or within the sight of, students
- may not possess any weapon
- may not administer any medications, prescription or over-the-counter, to students. Any necessary medications will be administered by the teacher.
- may not conduct personal or business correspondence or calls while chaperoning
- may not allow students to use cell phones without class teacher approval
- must follow rules of what items and activities are allowed in the vehicle and on the trip
- may not consume alternate food or beverages during class meals on a trip without prior approval from the teacher
- may not shift car assignments without teacher approval

If you drive a vehicle while volunteering, an Automobile Use Form and DMV Driving Record must be submitted.

In connection with my volunteer service, I make the following express representations:

1. As a DWS volunteer, I understand that I will always be engaged in an activity with the students under the full and direct supervision of the lead teacher, a subject teacher or a paid assistant.
2. I understand and acknowledge that my time and services as a volunteer are being donated by me without compensation or contemplation of future employment.
3. I understand that as a volunteer, I will earn no wages or benefits and that I will not be entitled to unemployment insurance benefits, nor will I be covered under the school's workers' compensation insurance in the event I am injured while engaging in the volunteer services I will provide.

I acknowledge that I have read this agreement, have voluntarily signed it, and that no oral representations, statements, or inducements apart from the contents of this agreement have been made to me.

Print Name (First, Middle, Last):

Signature: _____ Date: _____