

## Community Relations

### SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS / RESOURCE PERSONS

***Series C-19-COVID-19 Policies and Regulations***

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***Temporary amendments related to the COVID-19 Pandemic have been made to this policy and to the regulations. All temporary revisions appear in highlighted bold italics or strikethrough text.***

The Board of Education encourages the use of volunteers or resource persons to: (1) increase students' educational attainment, (2) provide enrichment experiences for students, (3) increase the effective utilization of staff time and skills, (4) give more individual attention to students, and (5) promote greater community involvement.

The Superintendent shall establish procedures for securing and screening volunteers and resource persons. No person who is a “sex offender,” as defined by Public Act 98-111, An Act Concerning the Registration of Sexual Offenders, shall be retained as a volunteer. For the purpose of this policy, volunteers are defined as those individuals who volunteer their time to assist in schools while resource persons are those who are not employees but receive compensation in the form of a payment or an honorarium for services rendered (e.g., visiting author).

***All volunteers and/or resource persons must comply with all school health and safety protocols in place at the time, including any health screening protocols. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the Superintendent may limit or restrict volunteers based on the guidance of federal, state, and local health authorities.***

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes  
10-4g Parent and community involvement in schools; model programs;  
school-based teams  
10-235 Indemnification of teachers, board members, employees and certain  
volunteers and students in damage suits; expenses of litigation.  
54-254 Registration of person who has committed a felony for a sexual  
Purpose  
***“Adapt, Advance, Achieve: Connecticut’s Plan to Learn and Grow Together,” Connecticut State Department of Education (June 29, 2020), available at <https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/SDE/COVID-19/CTReopeningSchools.pdf>.***

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