

Falls-Springs CRO Volunteer Opportunities 2016-2017 School Year

Programs at Tamassee Salem Elementary School (TSES)

Chew the Fat Fridays Lunchtime Reading/Mentoring Program at TSES

Cliffs' men are invited to volunteer for Chew The Fat Friday, a program for 5th grade boys lead by a faculty of 11 diverse Cliffs men. Each volunteer is asked to participate once during the fall semester and again in the spring as a discussion leader and role model. In addition to volunteering their time and sharing their personal experience, the volunteers provide lunch for the boys. The volunteers' aim is to provide a consistent message to the students of how they can achieve success through education and work ethics. This is facilitated through reading and group discussion of a book called "SOUP." The objectives of the program are:

- Expose the boys to successful male role models
- Discuss Life: Choices; Consequences; Peer Pressure; Guilt; Bullying; Cheating; Discrimination; Stealing
- Encourage the boys to become voracious readers

To volunteer, contact: Cindy Bailey (ALLPAR485@aol.com)

Stargirls Lunchtime Reading/Mentoring Program at TSES

Cliffs' women are invited to volunteer for Stargirls, a weekly book reading and discussion program for 5th grade girls. Each volunteer is asked to sign up for one or more sessions in the fall and spring as the reading and discussion leader or assistant. In addition to volunteering their time, the volunteers provide lunch for the girls. The program started in 2012 and currently we have 13 volunteers. The book selected changes each year. The objectives of the program are:

- • Discussion of topics like being new, acceptance, friendship and social dilemmas aimed at helping the girls as they move toward Middle School
- • Encourage a life-long love of reading
- • Promote value of education
- • Promote joy of listening

To volunteer, contact: Cindy Bailey (ALLPAR485@aol.com).

Student Support Team Volunteers

Volunteers are needed throughout the year on Thursdays from 1-2:30 to supervise a class while the teachers are in Student Support Team meetings. This coverage enables teachers to develop tailored plans for students with specific learning gaps or needs.

To volunteer, contact: Cindy Bailey (ALLPAR485@aol.com)

Angel Tree

Donations are needed each Christmas for children of families in need. About 30 gifts are purchased each year for TSES.

For information, contact: Cindy Lowery (cindylowery@charter.net) or Melissa Williams (williamsmjb@comcast.net).

Classroom Tutors

Opportunities to do one on one tutoring or helping a small group of students are available.

Used Books

Books and CDs can be donated in the Falls Club Ladies' Lounge. These are collected monthly and consigned in Greenville and the proceeds are donated on CRO's behalf to TSES for book purchases.

For information, contact: Cindy Bailey (ALLPAR485@aol.com)

Box Tops Program

Collection boxes are located in the ladies locker room at the Falls and in the Pro Shop at the Springs for box tops from grocery items which the schools redeem for cash to support the school.

School Supplies Purchases

2-3 volunteers are needed in August each year to purchase and organize the school supplies for which funds are allocated from the CRO budget.

Contact: Louise Hughes (lshughes660@gmail.com)

Programs at Six-Mile Elementary

Tutoring: Spend one-on-one time weekly in individual or small group student settings to assist in math and/or reading. Most students fall below grade level achievement but do not receive mandated help. Time commitment is minimal, usually one hour per week. Students typically are not receiving adequate help at home.

Watch Dogs: Provide a visible presence and sense of safety to students during the school day by doing safety checks at school entrances, helping students on/off buses, monitoring hallways, etc. Become known as someone who can help a student in need. Most volunteers are men but not limited to. Time commitment can be one to several hours per week.

Mentoring: Spend one-on-one time weekly with a student identified by the Guidance Department. These students may need a positive adult role model to talk to, share common interests, and confide in. From throwing a ball to one another to having lunch together, this weekly commitment can be as modest as one half hour to one hour per week.

For information about volunteering at Six Mile Elementary, please contact Ruth Gorman (Ruth.Gorman3@gmail.com)

Programs at NEXT School Eagle Ridge

SHOW UP AND "BUILD" NEXT SCHOOL EAGLE RIDGE!

- -Share your expertise with young people by leading Seminars and Workshops or sponsoring programs.

- -Partner with teachers on dynamic projects that extend the classroom beyond the walls...like the Farm to Table initiative.
- -Be the mentor YOU always needed as a student. Join the girls mentoring circle or help us expand to establish the boys mentoring circle.

Nothing happens until BUILDERS make it happen! Call Judy Agerton (404-791-1506) or Kathleen Henderson (612-242-7905) for more information or to volunteer.