



Research shows when families are included in their children's education, their children do better in school. Part of what makes Lawton a successful school is the tremendous amount of family involvement at our school – over 15,000 volunteer hours were recorded at Lawton during the 2008-2009 School Year !

There are many ways to volunteer at Lawton: PTA-sponsored activities, assisting in your child's classroom, or helping a child learn. Everyone has a strength or skill they can contribute. Please take a moment to review the opportunities available and indicate your areas of interest.

Volunteer opportunities are also listed in the newsletter or can be accessed via our website at www.lawtonschool.org.

Please return this form to the PTA Box in the Lawton office.

Your name: _____ Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Child's Name(s): _____ Teacher(s) or Room #(s): _____

Vocation/ Expertise/ Skill/ Interest that you'd like to share: _____

PTA Sponsored Activities

- Move-A-Thon:** The Move-A-Thon is one of our biggest fundraisers. This year it will be held in October. The students really put their soles into this event as they take laps around the upper playfield to help raise money. Set up/ breakdown, hand out water, record laps, and/or pass out popsicles. (October)
- Sally Foster Sales:** Assist committee chair with order processing and distribution of gift wrap purchases. (October)
- Fundraising Party/Auction:** The auction has been the biggest fundraiser for our school and this year the Event will be modified to a fundraising party with an Auction twist ! It will be held in March, 2010. A party with a hint of auction, there are many different opportunities to help. (March)
- Christmas Tree Sale:** NEW this year !! Help Lawton get in the holiday spirit and sell Christmas Trees. Lots of volunteers will help the success of this fundraiser. Volunteer for shifts selling trees. Help committee chairs with organizing event. (October – December)
- Parent's Night Out:** Back by popular demand, Parent's Night Out will be held several times throughout the year. Help organize or volunteer to watch the kiddos at school. (Ongoing)
- Bake Sales:** Have your oven ready to bake treats for bake sales that occur throughout the year and/or run bake sale tables at Lawton events. (Ongoing)
- Bingo:** Assist committee chair with set-up, selling Bingo sheets, and food. (March)

- Book Fair:** Assist committee chair with school book fairs twice a year (Winter and Spring), including cashiering, organizing and selling books.
- Community Outreach:** Work on projects that help families-in-need. (Ongoing)
- Enrichment Committee:** Work with a committee of individuals who bring artists and special programs to our school. (Ongoing)
- Fall Festival:** Assist committee chair with organizing this family event featuring the Dance Dude ! (October)
- Field Day:** Assist committee chair on activities related to Field Day – bouncers, games, races, etc. (June)
- Fifth Grade Promotion:** Help make this event special by organizing and/or assisting in this promotion reception. (June)
- Grants:** Work with Grant Committee to research grant opportunities and write grant applications. (Ongoing)
- Kindergarten Tours and Open House:** Assist committee chair in conducting tours for prospective new families and help prepare for Open House. (January/February)
- Math Night:** Assist committee chair with set-up/breakdown, games, etc. (January)
- Science Fair/Ice Cream Social:** Help committee chair with event including: distribution of science fair packets, make student ID cards, set-up and breakdown tables, displays and experiments. Help in organizing, ordering, and serving ice-cream during the Science Fair. (June)
- School Photos and Yearbook:** Assist on Picture Day and/or organize pages with photos for the yearbook. (Picture Day: October and Yearbook: Spring)
- Secret Garden/ Lawton Beautification:** Help nurture Lawton's botanical treasure by weeding, pruning, and maintaining the landscaping, both in the garden and on school grounds. (Ongoing)
- Staff Appreciation:** Assist the committee chair in showing the staff how much we love them. (May)
- Thriftway Receipts/ Box Tops:** Tally grocery receipts and/or Box Tops for credit. (Ongoing)
- Young Authors:** Assist library personnel with Young Author's Day. All of Lawton's student authors get to read their publications in small groups throughout the day. (Fall)
- Walking School Bus:** Volunteer to lead one of Lawton's Walking School Bus routes. (Ongoing)

School Activities:

- Library:** Check-in/check-out books, shelve, and assist students in book selection.
- Playground:** help make the playground run smoothly by providing supervision before, during and after school hours.
- Science Kit Inventory:** Inventory science kits (pre and post use in classroom) as needed.
- Tutoring:** Provide reading and math tutoring services to students as requested by teachers.
- Lunchroom:** Help younger students with lunchroom procedures.
- Music-** Assist Lawton music specialist Elaine Cooper as needed

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