



Volunteer Opportunities

School Day Support: *School day volunteers are at the school during school days, as scheduled or needed, to help with these activities.*

Book Fair Committee- Assist with the Fall (October) and Spring (February or March) book fairs. Help set up, tear down, and with sales at the book fair during various hours through the week when students visit to make wish lists and purchase books. (Younger siblings are welcome)

Library- Monday through Thursday each week classes visit the library and volunteers are needed (30 min slots) to help younger students and to help all classes in checking out books.

Lunchroom Assistance- Volunteers help serve lunch from 11:00-11:20 (KA&KB), 11:30-11:50 (grades 3, 4, 5), and 11:55-12:15 (grades 1, 2). Help open juice, milk and other food items. Encourage students to keep eating so they don't run out of time and help teachers & the custodian during lunch. (Younger siblings are welcome)

Morning Greeter- 8:00-8:20 every school day in the Giving Tree area near the parking lot. Greet parents and students as they arrive at school, assist younger students out of cars, and guide them to where their class assembles to wait before entering the school at 8:20.

Recess Volunteering- Help supervise students during recess from 11:20-11:40 (KA&KB), 11:50-12:10 (grades 3, 4, 5), and 12:15-12:35 (grades 1, 2). Volunteers must sign in at the school's main office first.

RaiseRight (formerly SCRIP) Committee- Receive and fill orders on Tuesdays and/or Fridays at school.

St. Nick's Shop Committee- Help wrap gifts, set up, tear down & staff the "store" in the library during the school day (usually one week in late November/early December) when students visit to make purchases. Purchase items to be used as Christmas gifts for family and friends.

Workroom Committee- Help teachers and staff by working in our copy room to print and copy materials and handle other clerical and administrative needs.

Fundraising Activities: *Volunteers plan events or support programs that raise funds for our school.*

Starry Night- Annual fundraiser for our school's present needs. Help gather auction items, contact sponsors, set up and tear down, and help at the event itself. Generally held the first Saturday evening of March.

Corporate Fundraising- Help with corporate programs that support schools, such as Box Tops for Education.

RaiseRight (formerly SCRIP) Committee- Assist those filling orders at school on Tuesdays and Fridays by gathering gift cards from area businesses and/or selling gift cards after Masses.

RaiseRight (formerly SCRIP) Sales + Marketing- Track and promote gift card sales at the school, Our Lady of Lourdes Parish & St. John Vianney Parish. Help design promotions to maximize funds raised.

Restaurant Fundraising- Help coordinate fundraisers with local restaurants during the school year.

Trivia Night- Help coordinate a Fall and/or Spring trivia night for adults only to gather for fun and fellowship.

School Activities Support: *Volunteers for school activities may lead or support programs for students.*

Athletic Boosters- Help the athletic director with sports programs, events & fundraising.

Chess Club- Students K-8th grade participate every other Friday after school. Volunteers are welcome to help supervise and teach students the game.

Cub Scouts- Each “den” (grade level) can always use help during meetings; perhaps you have special skills that could be helpful for boys in obtaining a “patch”. The “pack” (all K-5th dens) could always use more hands at group meetings. Parents of current scouts are encouraged to help out but always willing to have other parents join us in encouraging growth into well-rounded scouts.

Drama Club (aka School Play)- Help Mrs. Freemyer with set, costumes, and props for the school’s annual play production. May also help at dress rehearsals and with marketing for the play.

Field Day- Help LCS teachers onsite at Field Day end of the school year grades 1st-7th. Chaperones for each grade, help at activities such as face painting, lunch set up, serve lunch and lunch clean up.

Girl Scouts/Daisies/Brownies- Be a leader or help the leader coordinate activities for Daisies (Kindergarten); 1st & 2nd grade girls, 3rd grade Brownies, or 4th & 5th grade Juniors.

Kids and/or Middle School Service Committee- Help needed to organize monthly service projects; offer students and their families opportunities to go out into the community and serve. For example: work at a shelter, rake leaves, make care packages, prepare sandwiches for the shelter, etc.

Middle School Events Committee- Help to plan, organize, and execute various middle school events throughout the year, some social & some service; work with the help of middle school teachers.

Mock Trial Committee- Assist students in enhancing their understanding of the legal system and preparing them for the annual mock trial competition, usually held on a Saturday in November.

Robotics Committee- Help assist students 4th-8th with STEM projects and to prepare for local Robotics competition. Generally held on a Sunday in December.

Variety Show- Assist Mrs. Freemyer with tryouts and the planning/executing of the production. Generally held in the Spring.

Yearbook Committee- Assist middle school students under guidance of staff to create and publish the annual school yearbook.

School Community Support: *Volunteers may lead or support activities focused on the school community.*

Bingo Night- Help plan and organize this family friendly event to build community and fellowship. Generally held around Catholic Schools Week in late January/early February.

Fall Festival Committee- Help set up, tear down, and run various activities along with church parishioners. Generally in September each year.

Fall/Spring Clean Up Committee- Help organize a day in the fall & spring to complete various projects on the school/church grounds. Procure supplies & donations, and recruit others to help.

Family Services Committee- Coordinate the assistance for families in the event of illness or emergency. Arrange donations of meals, running errands, or other support that family may need.

Parents in Prayer Committee- LCS parents unite in prayer once or twice a week to pray for intentions submitted by students. (Younger siblings are welcome.)

Spirit Wear Committee- Help with designs for students, parents, and staff. Hand out completed online spirit wear orders.

Home & School Committees: *Volunteers for these activities support efforts and coordinate with the Home & School Executive Board to execute these events/activities.*

New Family Ambassador Committee- Help the Home & School New Family Ambassadors to welcome new LCS families into our community and help new families settle in at LCS.

Room Parents- Serve as a room parent for a homeroom teacher. Coordinate with the teacher for things like classroom parties, field trips, or other needs. Room parents are guided by the Home & School Room Parent Coordinator to align on school-wide activities like Teacher Appreciation week.

Volunteer Coordinators Committee- Help the Home & School Volunteer Coordinator to share information about volunteer opportunities, and recruit, organize, and meet volunteer needs through the school year.

Visit our school website under “Get Involved” and “Parent Volunteers” for current sign-up forms and contacts.

These are many of the ways you can get involved at LCS. You do not have to sign up right away and/or commit to something for the whole year. Some people can do something once a week, once a month or a few days each year. If you want help trying to decide where to volunteer, please feel free to reach out to one of us. We’d be glad to answer questions or let you know where the need may be greatest. 😊

Thank you!

Please note:

ALL Volunteers need to complete CMG Connect Safe Environment Training with a background check as well.

It is an online training, at no charge to you, that Katherine Wermes (katherine.wermes@lourdes.pvt.k12.ia.us) can provide to you to complete.

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