

The Office of Education, Southeastern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, believes it is imperative that those working with children have meaningful guidelines for conduct in order to protect both themselves and those under their care. We want others to feel comfortable and confident with your involvement with our students as a school volunteer.

School Volunteer Commitment

I recognize that working with children and youth is not only a privilege, but also a serious responsibility that must be approached with utmost care.

Therefore:

- I will ... cooperate with the school by being a volunteer who is caring, kind, firm, and always thoroughly professional.
- I will ... model Christian behavior and language.
- I will ... respect the privacy and honor the confidentiality of students, families and staff.
- I will ... provide appropriate supervision at all times, never leaving unattended a student or group of students for whom I am responsible.
- I will ... affirm student's behavior with appropriate comments.
- I will ... follow the discipline guidelines given to volunteers, abstaining from corporal punishment and from any form of physical or verbal abuse or harassment.
- I will ... avoid all situations where I would be alone with one student.
- I will ... use responsible judgment if any physical contact is appropriate or necessary.
- I will ... always assist students in a room or area where I am easily visible to others.
- I will ... cooperate with the volunteer screening process as required by the school.

I, the undersigned, have read this document and agree to abide by the School Volunteer Commitment outlined above. I will be given a copy of this document and keep it for reference.

Name _____ School _____

Signature _____ Date _____