

The Albany Academies Parent Volunteer Form

Volunteers play a critical role in sustaining a vibrant community at The Albany Academies. All volunteers are essential to our continued success. Whether you can offer 1 hour or 100 hours, your contribution is appreciated.

Please let us know how you would like to be involved in The Albany Academies by completing the information below and providing the completed form to the Main Office on either campus. Please indicate general programs or specific activities for which you are interested in volunteering.

Name: _____

Student name/grade: _____

I would like to be a volunteer in the following area(s):

Arts Program

- _____ serving on the **Arts Council** and working closely with the Arts Chair to enhance the Arts Program and coordinate parent volunteers
- _____ volunteering for the **Evening of the Arts** (spring)
- _____ volunteering to assist with school musicals, plays and/or band & choral **performances**
- _____ working on the **Visiting Artists Program** and **Kermani Fine Arts Program**
- _____ hanging artwork in the school to display student/faculty work or providing **general assistance**

Literacy Program

- _____ coordinating or assisting with the **Commemorative Library Book** program (throughout the school year)
- _____ volunteering for the **Barnes and Noble Book Fair** (late fall/early winter)
- _____ assisting the school librarians by volunteering in the **libraries** (throughout the school year)
- _____ assisting with the **Lower School Scholastic Book Fair** (spring)
- _____ assisting with the planning and/or organizing of the **Children's Book Festival** (spring)

Athletic Program

- _____ serving on the **Athletic Council** to work with the Athletic Director to support the athletics program
- _____ assisting with developing an **Athletic Guide** for parents
- _____ organizing or working **concession** for various sporting events
- _____ assisting with the **Coaches for Cancer** community fundraiser
- _____ assisting with planning, organizing and/or participating in the **Legacy of Dreams** fundraiser

International Liaison

- _____ assisting with planning, organizing and/or participating in the **International Taste of the World Festival** (winter)
- _____ serving as a **liaison** to host families

Appreciation & Recognition Committee

_____ coordinating the faculty & staff appreciation luncheons, gifts for departing faculty and staff, tokens of appreciation for bus drivers, etc.

Community Events

In partnership with the school, parents have several opportunities to be involved in community events. The AAPA works closely with the school on all community events. The lead organization is noted in parentheses.

- _____ **Homecoming** (Alumni/ae Relations, September) – tailgating, bonfire, game booths
- _____ **Fashion show and luncheon** (AAPA, November) – vendors, fashions, luncheon, raffles
- _____ **Barnes and Noble Book Fair** (AAPA, early December) – teacher book lists, juice and jammies, in-store volunteers
- _____ **Faculty & Staff Appreciation Luncheons** (AAPA, early winter & late spring) – food donations, decorate, serve food
- _____ **International Taste of the World Festival** (World Languages Department, February/March) – Food booths, activities
- _____ **Children’s Book Festival** (Library, April) – sell books, organize workshops, author’s reception luncheon
- _____ **Spring Gathering** (Institutional Advancement, April) – assist school with planning and auction items
- _____ **End of Year Picnic** (AAPA, May)
- _____ **Legacy of Dreams** Athletic Department/Institutional Advancement, June)

Parent Ambassador/Liaison

Our parents can serve as the school’s best ambassadors. Activities may include:

- _____ attending an **Admissions Open House** event
- _____ serving as a new family “buddy”
- _____ participating in **Parent Fund** Phone-a-thons, letter writing campaign, etc.

Special talents/skills/hobbies

Please let us know if there are any special talents, skills or hobbies that you would like to share with the school community (e.g., meteorologist that would like to teach Lower School students about weather; archeologist who would like to display artifacts or visit class to discuss experiences; dentist who would like to visit health class, etc.). The list is endless as our parents’ talents are varied. Please let us know if and how you would like to contribute to our school community.

Thank you for your support!

The purpose of the Albany Academies Parents Association shall be to encourage close cooperation and foster fellowship and communication among the parents of Academies students and between said parents and the Trustees, faculty and administration for the continuing enrichment of school activities and facilities through service and fundraising.” (AAPA Bylaws)