
“Many hands make light work” *John Heywood*

Volunteer Opportunities



“Research shows that successful parent involvement improves not only student behavior and attendance but also positively affects student achievement”. www.education.com

Dear Barnstable Community,

At the beginning of this new school year, it is a great opportunity for you to consider how you can contribute your time and energy to benefit our school community. You can explore the options below to see what appeals to you. Whether you are new to the school or have older students, it's an exciting time to be involved. There's quite a buzz of positive energy with our new Principal, new playground and new logo. So jump on board! There's an energy that you can only experience by walking through our doors and getting your hands a little dirty.

PTO- Parent Teacher Organization

The PTO is a non-profit organization who most importantly, hold fundraisers to finance educational field trips for our students. We also plan family events throughout the year to promote an inclusive community atmosphere. Teamwork between parents and teachers is key to making this happen. Join us at our meetings to be a part of the fun!

Contact: Jennifer Steinhilber, PTO President, just1jenny@gmail.com

Garden Committee

The Garden Committee is responsible for our Community Garden. There are a range of volunteer opportunities to fit anyone's schedule. You could help with your child's classroom visits to the garden, We have a tentative schedule for classroom visits and for crop yielding, which can depend on the weather. Fall clean-up is scheduled for Saturday, Nov 8 from 12-3 and will need all hands on deck. (rain date 11/9) This is a great opportunity for you to get involved with something our students really love! Contact: Emma Dubner, emmadubner@gmail.com



More Volunteer Opportunities

BOKS

BOKS is a before school program designed to get kids moving and their brains ready to learn! It runs on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8-8:45am. It is available to all children based on first come, first serve basis. The fall session will begin October 21st and run to the Thanksgiving break. We are looking for volunteers to help with sign-in, water runs and the fun games that make BOKS successful! No training is necessary however you might want to take advantage of the awesome training program Reebok offers at their facility (free of charge). This is a fun way to start the day with laughter and an opportunity to interact with a lot of students.

Contact: Susan Fishback, susanfishback@hotmail.com

Friends of BCHMCPS

The Friends of BCHMCPS is a 501c3 group of volunteers that help raise needed funds to fully support our Enrichment Program. This includes a 3 day a week in house enrichment specialist who works with all students in classroom as well as smaller group pullouts for extra challenges. Funds raised by Friends also supports our Enrichment Clusters. Nearly 100% of our efforts each year go into planning our very popular "Annual Parent Social and Auction" in mid-May. We would love enthusiastic volunteers who enjoy party planning, donation solicitation, and organizing events.

Contact: Shelby Powers, shelbypowers@gmail.com

Enrichment Clusters

For those of you who are new to our school, enrichment clusters take place over a six-week period in mid-winter. Every student participates in a Friday morning activity of their choice. Most clusters are open to all grade levels and each cluster develops a product, performance or presentation that will be displayed at the Celebration Event. The activities are led by adults from our community, parents, family members and teachers. If you have a hobby or interest that you love, chances are that students will love it too! We typically have over 30 clusters with topics ranging from American sign language to African dance. Participating in clusters is an excellent way to get to know and actively contribute to our school community!

Contact: Carol Panasci, panasci_carol@barnstable.k12.ma.us



Board of Trustees

As a charter school, Barnstable Community has a Board of Trustees responsible for governing our school and working with our principal to ensure that we are faithful to our school charter. Without our Board, we would not have our charter school, which gives us independence in decision making and a voice in what happens at our school.

We are looking for passionate, dedicated parents, staff and community members to join our Board of Trustees and/or serve on one of 3 sub-committees: Governance Committee, Finance Committee, and Marketing and Development Committee. If you or someone you know in our community have personnel, legal, public policy, finance, education or marketing experience or are just plain passionate about our school's governance, please consider joining the Board. All are invited to attend our monthly meetings.

Contact: Eric Steinhilber, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, estein33@hotmail.com

Fundraising

We are always looking for new and innovative ways to raise money to finance our charter initiatives which make our charter school unique. Are you or someone you know willing help research, network, brainstorm ideas or grant-write? This may be the committee for you!

Contact: Alicea Sader, aliceasader@yahoo.com or Eric Steinhilber estein33@hotmail.com



Please fill out the information below and return it to school in your child's folder. Thank you!!



Yes, I want to make a difference!

Name _____

Phone: _____

e-mail: _____

Student(s) name(s) _____

Teacher(s) _____

Grade(s) _____

Group/groups I am interested in getting involved with:

Do you have ideas for our school?

Do you have a business where you would be willing to display student recruitment information for our school?

The state mandates that all volunteers fill out a CORI check. CORI = Criminal Offender Record Information. Simply fill out a CORI form at the front office. You must come in person with your driver's license to complete the application. It takes a couple weeks to process so get started now! CORI clearance is valid for 3 years.

