



LES PTA's *Three For Me* Volunteer Initiative



Leesville Road Elementary School is making a concerted effort to increase parent involvement! We are implementing a parent volunteer program endorsed by the National Parent Teacher Association, *Three For Me*. Education research has concluded that when parents are involved, students have:

- Higher grades, test scores, and graduation rates
- Better school attendance
- Increased motivation, high level of self-esteem
- Lower rates of suspension
- Decreased use of drugs and alcohol
- Fewer instances of violent behavior

What is *Three For Me*?

Three For Me is a program in which parents commit to volunteering at least three hours over the course of the school year to support school initiatives. *Three For Me* is a promise – a promise not only from you to the school, but a promise to your child. You promise to volunteer at least three hours of your time at or on behalf of the school to your child by signing a *Three for Me* promise card. Whether it is helping in the classroom, reading to children, helping at a PTA program, or dozens of other opportunities, it is all important and it all counts.

Your Challenge

Over the course of this school year, at least one LES parent or family member per student is asked to commit three volunteer hours. Volunteer opportunities exist at the school, at home, and in the community. The list on the reverse side of this paper explains the many activities which qualify. You will be pleasantly surprised to see how the definition of volunteering to support your child has broadened.

Dads, Moms, Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles or any adult that is involved in the child's life can make the promise. Once you reach your three hours of volunteerism at our school, you qualify to have your name entered into a drawing to win a spirit wear basket. If you volunteer fifty hours or more, you will be entered into an additional drawing for a fabulous prize! Sign the promise card and make this simple promise to your child: Volunteer three hours, follow through, and show them how much you are committed to them and care about their school. Become a hero and help make a positive difference in your child's life and school!

Make Your Pledge and Log Your Hours

Completion of a Promise Card will make you a *Three For Me* volunteer. Our goal for the 2016-2017 school year is to have at least three volunteer hours completed for each child at LES. Pledge now to help us meet that goal! You will be able to log your volunteer hours one of two ways—online at www.lespta.com or by filling out the paper log that will remain on the student/visitor sign-in desk in the main office. For more information, including volunteer opportunities and to track your hours, visit our PTA website at www.lespta.com, and look for the *Three for Me* link.



Three For Me Promise Volunteer Pledge Card

I promise to volunteer three hours of my time for my child during the 2016-2017 school year at Leesville Elementary School.

Parent/Volunteer Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Child's Name: _____ Grade: _____ Teacher: _____

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Please return this pledge card to your child's teacher by Friday, September 16th or place in the PTA Volunteer Coordinator folder in the front office.

What Counts for Volunteer Hours?

- Volunteer for a PTA Committee
- Be a room parent
- Volunteer for Field Day
- Tutor a student in school
- Volunteer for the Healthy Kids Running Series
- Lunch room monitor
- Help with school beautification
- Volunteer to proctor a test
- Help with a PTA/school fundraiser
- Assist the Front Office in mornings, lunch, afternoon
- Assist with car or bus duty in the mornings or afternoons
- Prepare flashcards from home
- Help in the classroom
- Volunteer for a PTA Program
- Staff an inflatable at the Family Picnic
- Help with Book Fair
- Help update bulletin boards
- Make copies for teachers/PTA events
- Read with a child at school
- Attend PTA meetings
- Volunteer as a hall monitor on Election Day
- Help at school functions
- Participate with Generosity Feeds at LES on November 5th
- Volunteer to bring in food or drinks for a teacher/staff hospitality event
- Volunteer to assist a teacher with classroom needs that can be completed from home
- Volunteer to assist with picture day
- Shelve books in the library
- Shop for Pride Pack supplies
- Help with the sets/costumes for the school play
- Help to get community businesses involved with school events through donations or service
- And dozens more...