# Cypress Elementary Peer Volunteer Information and Expectations

Peer volunteers should not volunteer in the parent's worksite or classroom. Administration is approval is required prior to scheduling peer volunteers. All peer volunteers are required to complete a paper application available from the school volunteer coordinator, and cannot volunteer during their normal school day.

Always sign in and out and always wear your raptor volunteer badge.

PEER volunteers, as regular volunteers are not permitted to be alone with a student. NEVER ALLOW YOURSELF TO BE PUT IN A POSSIBLE COMPROMISING SITUATION. IF YOU FEEL UNCOMFORATABLE IN A PARTICULAR SITUATION, PLEASE LET A STAFF MEMBER KNOW IMMEDIATELY.

### Volunteer Schedule

Report on time to the staff person who will supervise your job and remain for the period of time for which you are committed. If, at any time, this person is not available for any reason or the job does not materialize, please advise the front office. Please do not expect to visit staff members during your volunteer time.

## Assignment

If the assignment does not prove to be what you expected or can handle, and you are hesitant to discuss this with your supervising staff member, please see the Volunteer Coordinator.

## Appearance and Language

Your appearance and in dress and grooming should be neat, clean and appropriate for working with elementary age children. Dress may be comfortable and casual and project a positive image to our students.

## **Accept Direction**

Accept direction and supervision, recognizing that you are an important helper. You do not take the place of a staff member. You are a supplementary person who offers assistance and enrichment with your personal skills and competence.

### Confidentiality

We expect all volunteers to respect the confidentiality of Cypress' students, families and staff. This included publishing on-line (i.e. face book and MySpace) and photos.

#### **Enjoy Yourself**

Your enthusiasm will be conveyed to the students who are eager to learn about new topics and ideas.