

**Derry Cooperative School District #1  
NH School Administrative Unit #10  
18 South Main Street  
Derry, NH 03038**

**EPS Code: IJOC**

**District Code:**

## **SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS**

The Derry School Board is very proud of its school volunteers and their years of service to the schools and students of Derry. Our teachers and students benefit from these dedicated workers. While the Derry Cooperative School District welcomes all people who wish to donate their services to the schools and the benefit of our children's education, we must exercise control over who comes into the schools and works directly with our children. The School District, in awareness of the times we live in and how radically our society has changed in the last few decades, realizes that we must take every precaution to ensure the safety of our students and staff. With the best interest of our children in mind, we have initiated the following requirements for people wishing to come into the schools to volunteer their time and talents:

- Any Derry resident must register with the volunteer coordinator and school building principal. We encourage volunteers to offer their services to the school assigned to the district of residence.
- Non residents who wish to become a school volunteer must be interviewed by the volunteer coordinator and the building principal/designee. Nonresident volunteers must have a Derry resident "volunteer" sponsor who will support the non resident's volunteer application.
- All volunteers must agree to comply with the Regulations supporting District policy. (RE: IJOC-R)

Designated Volunteers: Designated volunteers will be required to undergo a background investigation and a criminal records check in accordance with Policy GBCD. "Designated volunteer" means any volunteer who meets one of more of the following criteria:

1. Comes in direct contact with pupils on a weekly basis
2. Meets regularly with students
3. Meet with students on a one-on-one basis
4. Any other volunteer so designated by the School Board or Superintendent

Designated volunteers shall not be allowed to volunteer until their background investigation and criminal records check have been completed and are satisfactory to the Superintendent.

Further, it will be the policy of the Board to require that each building have a volunteer handbook for those who wish to volunteer in our District's schools. The District's School Volunteer policy and IJOC-R must be included in the volunteer handbook.

**Legal Reference:**  
*RSA 189:13-a*

## Derry Cooperative School District

### Volunteer Service Statement and Agreement

Date \_\_\_\_\_

I make this **Statement** and **Agreement** in order to provide, and to be authorized to perform, the following uncompensated services to my community:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Nature and scope of services)

under the direction of

\_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
Supervisor School

between: \_\_\_\_\_  
Time frame

In performing the specified volunteer service, I acknowledge:

- that I am 18 years of age or older and know of no reason, medical or otherwise, which would prevent me from performing the tasks required;
- that I have acquainted myself with what is required to perform those tasks, and represent that I have the skill and ability to perform them;
- that I assume full responsibility for my own safety and the safety of others, and except where resulting from the negligence of the Derry Cooperative School District or its employees, I release and hold harmless the Derry Cooperative School District, its agents, employees, and officers from any and all claims of any nature for any illness or personal injury to me or damage to any property arising any way from my participation in the above described activity. I further acknowledge that this release is binding upon my heirs, successors or assigns, that I have read the foregoing and understand its significance, and that I have executed this document voluntarily.
- that I will abide by the District's confidentiality policy and refrain from discussing the performance or actions of a student except with the student's teacher or school administration.
- that I will refer any student problem which arises, whether of an instructional, medical or operational nature, to an administrator or his/her designee.
- that I will perform the volunteer service in compliance with the standards and specifications established or approved by the Derry Cooperative School District, and will honor the direction of the Derry Cooperative School District officials to suspend or terminate service;
- that I have read and understand the Derry Cooperative School District's policy and regulation.

Volunteer: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_