

# WELCOME TO SAFETY HARBOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL Home of the Sea Turtles



## VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION

*You make a living by what you get. You make a life by what you give. —Winston Churchill*

# VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION

- All new volunteers must complete a Pinellas County Schools (PCS) volunteer registration form and provide a copy of a valid government issued photo ID (i.e., drivers license, Florida ID card, passport, or military ID).
- All volunteers must pass a local/national criminal history background check.
- Approval may take two to three weeks. Please plan accordingly.
- Returning volunteers need to reactivate online using the PCS volunteer system on a yearly basis. Returning volunteers do not need to fill out a new form.



# VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION

## Level II Volunteers

- A more stringent screening called Level II is required for all volunteers who are allowed unsupervised contact with students.
- Prior to obtaining a Level II background check, volunteers must be registered, background checked and approved to volunteer according to Pinellas County Schools guidelines.
- If you currently have a Level II clearance, please provide a copy of your Level II badge/card or VECHS/FDLE/FBI paperwork.
- Level II background checks are done through an outside vendor. Fees are not reimbursable.



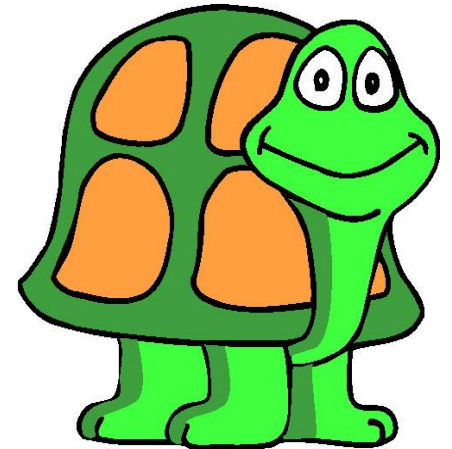
# VOLUNTEER GUIDELINES

- Please sign in at the front office and log volunteer hours in the volunteer system ([www.focus.pcsb.org](http://www.focus.pcsb.org)). These hours are reported to the District and State of Florida and help our school qualify for the Golden School Award!
- Please wear a visitor badge at all times while on campus.
- Please maintain strict confidentiality.
- Volunteers may not bring children who are not registered at Safety Harbor Elementary School.
- Children who are not part of the group for whom a field trip is planned are not permitted to attend.



# VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS

- MENTORS/TUTORS (Attend a Mentor Strategies or Tutor Training Workshop)
- BRINGING UP GRADES (BUGS) PROGRAM
- SPEAKERS (Great American Teach-In is Wednesday, November 18, 2015)
- CLASSROOM ASSISTANT
- FIELD TRIP CHAPERONE
- PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION (PTA)
- SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL (SAC)
- MEDIA CENTER



# FOR MORE INFORMATION

- **Lisa Zollars, Family and Community Liaison, Safety Harbor Elementary School, (727) 724-1462, zollarsl@pcsb.org**
- **Pinellas County Schools website: pcsb.org.** Click on community, click on get engaged.
- **PCS Family Engagement Mobile APP.** To download free APP type “PCS Family Engagement” in search box of either the Apple iTunes APP Store or the Google Play Android APP store.
- **Safety Harbor Elementary School website: pcsb.org/safetyharbor-es**
- **Safety Harbor Elementary PTA website: myshespta.com**
- **Pinellas County Schools, Office of Strategic Partnerships, 301 Fourth Street SW, Largo, Florida 33779, Phone Number (727) 588-6405**

