

Deer Park Independent School District
203 Ivy Avenue
Deer Park, Texas 77536

**CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECK FORM
FOR DPISD VOLUNTEERS
2006-2007**

Following *Texas Education Code* § 22.083, the Deer Park Independent School District obtains criminal history record information (*yearly, regardless if obtained previous school year*) from all applicants who wish to volunteer in public schools. The information requested below is necessary to obtain criminal history record information.

DISCLAIMER: Deer Park ISD is not liable for accidents involving school volunteers that take place on district property. Any injuries that result from such accidents are the responsibility of the injured party and should be covered by his or her personal medical coverage. Questions about the district's insurance policies should be directed to the DPISD Business Office, 832-668-7035.

PLEASE PRINT

Full Name _____
First Middle Last

Mailing Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip Code** _____

Home Phone _____ - _____ - _____ **Cell Phone** _____ - _____ - _____

Date of Birth _____ / _____ / _____

Campus where you will volunteer: _____

I understand the information I am providing about age will not be used to determine eligibility to volunteer, but will be used solely for the purpose of obtaining criminal history record information.

signature

date

Schools - Please return completed form to:
DPISD Administration Building
Attn: Cheryl Leon, Communications Dept.

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TO: Prospective Volunteers in DPISD Schools

For some time, it has been the policy of the Deer Park Independent School District to conduct criminal history checks on all applicants for employment in the school system. Because the safety and security of our students is of primary importance to us, we believe it is necessary to know that those who come into contact with our children are free of past criminal convictions. We believe every parent can understand why the district takes this precaution.

Beginning in January 1998, DPISD will check the criminal history records of applicants for volunteering in the schools just as we do for employee applicants. This action is provided for in Texas state law (*Texas Education Code* § 22.083). Volunteers, just as teachers and other employees, come into direct contact with students. For the school system to be able to assure its parents that every precaution is being taken to protect the safety of each child, we believe this procedure is necessary.

Volunteers are always needed in our schools. For this reason, we encourage you to complete the attached application. It is necessary that you do so to volunteer in one of our schools. We hope you will not be offended by the district's cautionary action, and we also hope you will understand that it is done to ensure the well-being of Deer Park students.

DPISD is extremely grateful and appreciative of the good work that volunteers do. They extend the instruction services beyond what one teacher or one staff member can do. Without a doubt, students benefit from the school volunteer program. We hope you will be a part of this important school program.

If you have any questions at all about the criminal history check or about the volunteer program in Deer Park schools, please call Matt Lucas at 832-668-7030.