Frequently Asked Questions

Who are you?

North County Volunteer Corps is a collaborative program of the Santa Barbara County Education Office, the United Boys & Girls Club of Lompoc and the Santa Maria Valley YMCA.

What do you do?

Our role is to accept educator requests for help and find members of the community to meet those needs.

What is your most common request?

Teachers want an individual to make a human connection with their students. We get many requests for tutors and mentors at the elementary level. Guest speakers around their career is a popular request in high schools. In our afterschool programs, there are lots of opportunities for arts, sports, and tutoring.

What do I have to do to become a volunteer?

The first step is to complete our online application. This helps us locate the teacher requests that best meet your availability, geographic preferences, and passions. If you select opportunities that require close, ongoing contact with students, we will provide a TB test and LiveScan fingerprinting at no cost to you.

Where do you need volunteers?

We place volunteers at local schools, after school programs and youth-serving nonprofits. You let us know which school you're interested in or we can help you find one.

What can I do as a volunteer?

Teacher requests usually fall into 30 different types of requests. We have very typical school volunteer opportunities such as tutoring, mentoring, gardening, reading with students, school clean ups, special events. We have a number of career preparation activities such as mock job interviews, career days, guest speakers, tours of your workplace, student interns and job shadows. We have opportunities that are one-time for an hour or we can find you something to do every day of the week!

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Where can I volunteer?

North County Volunteer Corps is excited to announce we signed our MOU with Buellton Union School District in March 2013. That means we can now place our volunteers in local schools!

The following schools are sites of service with North County Volunteer Corps:

- Oak Valley Elementary School
- Jonata Middle School

We also have many opportunities available in Lompoc, Santa Maria, Goleta, Santa Barbara and Carpinteria if you're willing to travel or can't find that perfect opportunity locally.

Volunteers: How can you help?

- Mentors
- Tutors
- Informational interviews
- •Gardens/landscaping
- Computers/technology
- Career Day speakers
- Student internship hosts
- •Classroom guest speakers
 - Special events
 - Resume coaches
 - Job shadows
 - Workplace tours
 - Mock job interviews

Volunteer Sign-Up

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Teachers: How can we help you?

We can provide volunteers for any and all requests; the sky is the limit.

Additionally, we take care of the costs to LiveScan and TB test all ongoing volunteers.

To make a request:

(It's as easy as 1-2-3!)

- 1. Visit www.volunteerbuellton.org.
- 2. Click on the "For Teachers" tab.
- 3. Click "Request a Volunteer (North County)" and fill out the appropriate form depending on the type of volunteer you're looking for (special event/short term, ongoing/long term or guest speaker).

Done!