

FAMILY PARTICIPATION PROGRAM

Frequently Asked Questions

- **1. Q:** Do I get hours volunteering at school events? For example, Harvest Festival, Thanksgiving Luncheon, Christmas Program etc.
 - **A:** Yes. One hour of your time will credit towards your 20 hours. To volunteer at events you must sign up on SignUpGenius.com .
- **Q:** Do I get credit for running errands outside of school grounds?
 - **A:** Yes, per administration approval. You get credit for picking up items for certain events, for example: balloons, doughnuts, coffee etc.
- **3. Q:** Can I get credit for helping teachers in the classroom?
 - A: Yes, per administration approval. One hour of your time will credit towards your 20 hours.
- **4. Q:** If I signed up for one hour and worked two hours, do I get credit for the two?
 - **A:** Yes. You will get credit for the extra time only if it was pre-approved by the event chair or administration.
- **5. 0**: Do I get credit for chaperoning field trips?
 - **A:** No. Parents join their kids on field trips for the experience in a unique environment.
- **6. Q:** Do chocolate sales count as credit towards hours?
 - A: Yes. Sale of one box of chocolates equals one hour of credit.
- 7. **Q:** Do cookie dough sales count as credit towards hours?
 - A: Yes. Sale of 3 box of cookie dough equals one hour of credit.
- **8. Q:** Do I get hours for attending PTO or Father's Club meetings?
 - A: No. Parents should attend meetings in order to find out where help is needed.
- **9. Q:** Do donations for classroom party's count? (Christmas, Easter etc.)
 - **A:** No. Classroom parties are small celebrations organized by the teacher. The small food donations will not apply for Family Participation Program hours.
- **10. Q:** Can my business give a gift card or gift basket to be raffled during a function in exchange for hours?
 - **A:** Yes. Depending on the value of the donated item, hours can be earned. We will evaluate the credit for these items on an individual basis.
- **11. Q:** Do donations to teacher's wish lists count?
 - A: No. This is an act of giving to improve the classroom.



- **12. Q:** Does participating during Multicultural Day count?
 - A: Yes. Helping with donations, setup, and serving gives you credit towards your hours.
- **13. Q:** Does serving as a homeroom parent count?
 - **A:** Yes. A homeroom parent must attend all PTO meetings and actively help the teacher to receive 10 FPP hours.
- **14. Q:** Do purchases on the Scrip Program give you credit towards hours?
 - A: No. Since your purchase is for a gift card with the equal amount of value.
- **15. Q:** Do monetary donations count as credit towards hours?
 - **A:** Yes. Donations received from a Hovsepian parent will be calculated as: \$10 is equivalent to one hour. Donations obtained from a second party (Non-Hovsepian parent) will be calculated as: \$100 is equivalent to one hour.
- **16. Q:** Can a grandma or grandpa participate at events?
 - **A:** Yes. Family members can help at SignUpGenius.com. Check the box "Display an alternate name (like a child or spouse's name) on the sign up page". Write the family members name in the box.