HURRAH TIMES

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

SANDY BENSON

I am incredibly humbled and proud to represent HURRAH; an organization that contributes such great things to education. With Pat Harrison and the late Russ Marineau as my predecessors, I realize that I have big shoes to fill. I am honored to uphold the characteristics that my forerunners have instilled in this organization, and I look forward to seeing even more growth.

HURRAH volunteers are a supportive and wonderful addition to school programs across Naperville 203. My goal this year is to strengthen relationships between volunteers, students, and teachers. Collaboration and communication between these groups will help HURRAH to best contribute to the success of our students.

I am incredibly thrilled to be HURRAH's newest President, and I can't wait to see what this year has in store for us!

Sincerely,

Sandy Benson

WHAT MAKES HURRAH WORK.

The two major focuses for HURRAH are collaboration and communication.

As a community volunteer group, collaboration is a top priority. Working with not only students, but teachers, administrators and other community programs helps to better the educational environment.

It is HURRAH's goal to cultivate relationships with educators in hopes to ease the teacher workload. While these tasks may seem small, tying shoes, cleaning paint brushes and opening baggies during snack time are all things that would otherwise pile up on a teacher's plate. When HURRAH takes on these tasks, teachers are provided with more time to focus on students and curriculum.

Connecting with teachers would not be possible without the help of contacts at the administrative and building levels. It is important to HURRAH that the organization collaborates with these resources so that HURRAH's mission can be known and utilized to its fullest extent.

HURRAH is dedicated to helping every component of the Naperville 203 community, including other organizations that support schools. Working with Naperville Education Foundation (NEF) has only helped to strengthen the relationships between HURRAH and Naperville 203 schools. When HURRAH volunteers for NEF, the benefits circle back to students.

Communicating with school contacts is the driving force behind getting volunteers out and into the community. Building HURRAH awareness with teachers will encourage them to call on HURRAH as a resource. The stronger the communication, the greater service HURRAH can be to the Naperville 203 community.

Did you know volunteers assist with...

- Mentoring
- Club and classroom assistant support
- Lunchtime help
- Expert guest speakers
- Vocational speakers
- Specialized helpers
- Tying students' shoes
- Cleaning paint brushes
- Inputting data





HURRAH'S PARTNERSHIP WITH NEF

MUTUAL ASSISTANCE.



This past year, HURRAH had the opportunity to join NEF as they presented their trustee award to Naperville 203 schools.

As one of NEF's biggest cheerleaders, HURRAH was proud to attend such an impactful event. Due to similar missions, HURRAH was able to use the occasion to inform schools on the many ways that HURRAH can provide hands-on assistance for teachers and students. This union helps to demonstrate the various resources that are available to educators- both physically and financially. This partnership has created a mutually beneficial relationship between the two organizations. NEF helps to reiterate and expand HURRAH's purpose, while HURRAH provides NEF with volunteers in areas where there is a need. From packet stuffing for Team NEF initiatives, to helping with t-shirt sorting, HURRAH is always happy to help!

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As you grow older, you will discover that you have two hands, one for helping yourself, and one for helping others.

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Save the date: HURRAH Annual Meeting October 2, 1:30-3pm Administrative Center

