



# Get Involved!

## Home and School Association Parent Volunteer Opportunities 2018-2019

Dear Families,

Did you know studies show that parental involvement in a child's education is one of the most important factors in raising student self-esteem and academic achievement? Most experts agree that parental involvement should go beyond attendance at teacher conferences and open house. We realize, however, that each of our families is unique – with its own priorities, needs, talents, and time constraints. We hope you will find the volunteer opportunities here at St. Rita School enjoyable. There is no limit to the impact you will have on SRS or the number of volunteer opportunities that await you.

### **ALL PARENT VOLUNTEERS AND ROOM PARENTS MUST BE VIRTUS TRAINED.**

If you are not VIRTUS trained, please attend one of the following sessions so you can be a part of the SRS parent volunteer community.

### **UPCOMING VIRTUS TRAINING CLASSES**

Sept. 16- St. Mary, Branford 1:30 p.m.

Sept. 23- St. Thomas More, New Haven 1:00 p.m.

Sept. 26- St. Thomas More, New Haven 9:00 a.m.

If a parent has previously taken this training for another Catholic school, it will remain valid for SRS. Please bring your certificate to the office.

After reading about the various SRS committees and volunteer opportunities, please sign up for those that interest you, at <https://tinyurl.com/SRSvolunteer>. We believe there is something for everyone, here at SRS!

Thank you for your participation and being part of the St. Rita School Community. Remember, we need YOU!

We are looking forward to an amazing year.

St. Rita School HSA Board

## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES** (with Chairperson(s) listed)

### **SPECIAL SCHOOL PROGRAMS** Carissa Civitello

SRŠ hosts special school programs throughout the year such as Open House, High School Night, Outside Promotional Events, etc. Parents help with set-up, preparation, and help at the events.

### **PARENT AMBASSADORS** Carissa Civitello

Help spread the good news about St. Rita School.

### **REWARDS PROGRAM** **OPEN**

Coordinate and manage school-based rewards programs - Stop & Shop, Shoprite, Target, Amazon, Double Your Dollars, and Labels for Education.

### **BOX TOP COLLECTIONS** **OPEN**

Everyone can clip physical Box Tops from hundreds of purchased participating products and send to school, as well as use the app to get extra Box Tops. We need a chairperson or 2 to collect all the sent in Box Tops and submit for payment. Each valid Box Top is worth 10 cents.

### **HOSPITALITY** Elisa Colonis

Calling all "foodies!" This committee provides food and beverages for certain school-wide events such as Open House, Back-to-School Nights, Parent Teacher Conferences, etc. throughout the school year.

### **SPIRIT WEAR** Joanne Bruno and Carissa Civitello

Help sell Spirit wear at different SRŠ events including at our **NEW SCHOOL STORE**, which will be open during some school hours.

### **WALKATHON** Danielle Daley and Riel Cruz

This is our first fundraiser of the year and it's a blast. Walk, eat, and play, it's a great way to bring in the new school year with SRŠ families. We need volunteers for everything from Crossing guard, to popcorn and snow cone makers and bounce house attendants!

### **TRUNK or TREAT** Marylee Delaney

Your children will trick or treat from the decorated trunks of our SRŠ cars in a safe and controlled environment. It's a ghoulish-good time. Looking for people to volunteer to decorate their trunk and help the night of the event.

### **BOOK FAIR** Lena Sorensen and Monica Saranich

The Scholastic Book Fair is an in-school event that brings the joy and excitement of reading right to students. We need volunteers to help setup/breakdown the event and help during the school day when students come to browse and buy books.

**FATHER/DAUGHTER DANCE** Lena Sorensen and Kelly Mulhern

A special occasion for SR\$ dads and their daughters. It is an evening of fun and laughter with lots of food and some dancing. Volunteers are needed to help with setup/cleanup, during the event and providing food and goodies for the event.

**TUITION RAFFLE** Trisha Kozloski, Chris Ponzio & Grace Roldan

Tickets are sold for \$50 each and the winner receives \$10,000 to spend on education expenses just about anywhere! Volunteers are needed to help distribute the tickets, sell at masses, count ticket sales etc. The last 2 years a SR\$ family has won!

**MIDDLE SCHOOL PLAY** Marylee Delaney, Grace Roldan

Our performances are guaranteed to be FUN. We have a theatrical production presented at the school which features fifth through eighth grade students as the principal actors. Volunteers are needed for everything from set design, makeup, program, ticket sales, concessions...

**MOTHER/SON Event** Joanne Bruno and Angela McCarthy

We are going back to Camp Sloper this year to make new Mother Son memories. We are looking for 1-2 people to take over Mother/Son next year; our current Co-Chairs will be graduating from SR\$ this year. This year is a great time to get involved and see what running an event is all about.

**PLANT SALE** Kristen Geltman

Just in time for Mother's Day, choose from a large variety of nursery quality annuals, garden vegetables, herbs and hanging baskets. Volunteers are needed to help set up/break down the event as well as selling during the school day and at church.

**GOLF TOURNAMENT** Meghan Giaquinto

A day of golf, food, friends and fellowship to benefit St. Rita School. Volunteers are needed in advance to help plan the event and solicit sponsorships, and the day of the event to help with check in, on the course, and raffles.

**FIELD DAY** Chris Battapaglia and John Daley

An annual tradition, in June, for K-7th students at Bassett Park - games, food, and fun. Volunteers are needed to set-up/Break-down the event as well as helping the day of with games, food, and safety.

**THANK YOU FOR BEING A PART OF ST. RITA SCHOOL!**