Volunteer opportunities at East High School for 2023-24

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Madison East High School

Madison East High School is home to a diverse and exciting group of young people. They come from a wide variety of familial, cultural and national backgrounds to pursue their education and prepare for adulthood. They will study art, civics, history, languages, literature, mathematics and science, as well as develop career and life skills in multiple fields of endeavor.

Many find their studies to be challenging at times. Please come and meet our students — you can help them reach their goals.

The listings below are current as of Aug. 30. Check for updates at volunteeryourtime.org. Click on "Volunteer Now" and on the Opportunities screen, search "Madison East High School," or contact Cynthia Chin, cchin@madison.k12.wi.us, 608-709-9925.

Unless otherwise noted, placements are possible Monday–Friday. Most volunteers come one or two days a week.

Mathematics One-to-One Match: One semester minimum commitment to working with a single student twice a week on first-year Algebra, introductory plane Geometry, or second-year Algebra. Contact Jared Miles, jmmiles@madison.k12.wi.us.

Mathematics Classroom Aides: Assist individuals or small groups in the classroom with tasks presented by the teacher. Placements are available throughout the day. Bilingual skills are a plus. Contact Cynthia Chin, cchin@madison.k12.wi.us, 608-709-9925.

Advanced Math Help – AP Calculus & Statistics: Mondays, 2:30-5 pm, Tuesdays–Fridays, 3:30-5 pm. Contact Cynthia Chin, cchin@madison.k12.wi.us, 608-709-9925.

Math Science Tutoring – Escalera (a program of Centro Hispano): An opportunity to immerse oneself in LatinX culture. Spanish language skills are a plus. Tuesdays, 3:45–5:30 pm. Contact Alondra Lavariega Castellanos, AlondraL@Micentro.org.

Upward Bound Precollege Program: Subject area tutoring, math in particular, during lunch and afterschool. Contact Lynn Zemaitis, lzemaitis@madison.k12.wi.us, 608-286-5656.

Physics Classroom Aide: Assist 11th and 12th grade science students with basic graphs, simple (algebra-level) equations for motion and forces, and data-collection for introductory hands-on experiments. Tuesday–Friday, 9:15–10:05 am or 10:10–11:05 am. Ask if interested in Monday mornings or after school one-on-one. Contact Jennafer Winesett, jnwinesett@madison.k12.wi.us.

School Market: Help prepare food for the school market (make sandwiches, cut up and bag fruit and vegetables, repackage snacks into individual servings, stock shelves, etc.). Monday–Thursday throughout the school day. Contact Emily Sonnemann, emsonnemann@madison.k12.wi.us.

Choir Library Organizer: Help organize and digitize the school's chorus literature collection. Mostly administrative, work-at-your-own-pace tasks. May include working alongside student volunteers. Times are flexible during the school day. Contact Luke Hrovat-Staedter, lshrovatstae@madison.k12.wi.us.

East High School is located at 2222 E. Washington Ave. on city bus routes A, B or D. On-street parking is available within 1–2 blocks.

Board of Education policy requires all persons working directly with students to complete brief online training on public health, school safety and student privacy. Volunteers must also authorize a basic background check, the results of which may impact eligibility for placement.

A volunteer's first step is to communicate with the contact person listed to make sure the volunteer opportunity matches one's schedule and interests. If the decision is made to move forward, follow the training directions and other guidance found on this Madison Metropolitan School District webpage: madison.k12.wi.us/partnerships/volunteering.

Final approval from the school district must be obtained prior to making any arrangements to visit the school.

Thank you to J. Speerschneider

East High School thanks Northside resident J. Speerschneider for the donation of new graphing calculators to four junior and senior math students.

East graduates are welcome to donate used graphing or scientific calculators for classrooms or the rental program. Contact math department chair Lindsay Sahlman, lasahlman@madison.k12.wi.us to make a donation.