



Family Volunteer Commitment

The SBCA Home & School Organization is a parent volunteer organization. Our mission is to promote a sense of community and a strong school family. Families support the organization by attending and volunteering at various Home & School events throughout the school year.

All of the money raised at our events goes directly back to the school. Along with the administration, the Home & School Organization helps to identify needs for the school and students. Some examples of needs met by past fundraising efforts include: \$37,000 towards an outdoor classroom project, 30 chrome books to ensure 1 to 1 technology for the 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th grades, 30 ukuleles for music class, outdoor table umbrellas, over \$6,000 of items from teacher Scholastic wish lists, over \$1,600 in new equipment and materials for Art, Gym and Music departments, significant contribution toward the new stage curtain, \$9,000 for STEM Lego kits and 2 basketball hoops for the school yard. This year we will also be purchasing a pottery kiln. Your time and participation make a real difference!!

What does Home & School do?

Home & School carries out its mission through these basic program areas:

Home & School Events. H&S events are the very heart of our school community – they are a place for parents to get to know one another and for the children to come together outside of school hours. In order to run these events we need a volunteer commitment from every family. We understand the demands of each family vary greatly which is why we have so many different ways to get involved! Volunteering does not mean you need to attend events. There is also a donation option if you feel you are unable to make a time commitment.

Room Reps. Each classroom needs at least one Room Rep, but most have two. Room Reps are asked to work with teachers to coordinate classroom parties throughout the school year and help with H&S communication. Room Reps are also asked to help collect items for annual raffle baskets. See teacher gifts for more info.

Catholic Schools Week. Volunteers are needed for the Book Fair and the Teacher Appreciation Breakfast usually held in January. This week is a fun and exciting opportunity to give back to the students and the teachers. COVID-19 has this on hold for now.

Teacher Gifts & Home and School Dues. Each year Home and School provides cash gifts to our hardworking teachers at two important times, Christmas and the end of the school year. These are funded by raffle sales from the class Christmas baskets as well as Home and school dues. Raffle tickets for the baskets are usually sold at the Road Race, Pizza with Santa and the Christmas Concert. Due to Covid these events have been put on hold. We hope to get back to in-person events as soon as it's safe.

Meetings and Social Events. H&S Meetings are held once a month. This is a place to get together to plan events and also raise questions, voice concerns, discuss new ideas, etc. We also hold a number of different social events throughout the school year that do not require any volunteer time – just your participation! We truly believe in enhancing the communication and collaboration among parents at our school. We need your help to build a strong school community and a culture where the parents come together to promote and cultivate family spirit!

**For more information, find us on facebook & instagram @sbcathacad
or visit our website at <https://sbcahso.com/>**



Example of some Home & School Events

Below is a list of Volunteer-needs that we anticipate for the upcoming school year. There are other events that will take place that do not require any volunteers – Parent Mixers, Family Bingo, Ladies’ Bingo, to name a few!

| Event Event date* <i>Event description</i> | Volunteers Needed appx 3 hours per event | How can you fulfill your Volunteer Commitment? Examples of what help is needed |
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| Room Reps | 42 (2 / class) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Coordinate class parties - Help collect donations for Christmas and End-of- Year teacher gifts - Coordinate creation of Christmas Baskets |
| **Halloween Dances Grades 1-6 Pre-K, K1, K2 <i>Dances are held in the school gym with a DJ</i> | TBD | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Set up gym / clean-up gym - Registration desk - Pizza and candy table |
| **SBCA Jingle Bell Run - Virtual <i>2020 will be our 12th Annual SBCA Road Race! The Race is an exciting family event for our school and the entire community.</i> | TBD | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - get sponsorships - Promote event – e.g. copies of flyers made and distributed - Take pictures of virtual races to post on Social Media |
| **Pizza with Santa <i>Pizza with Santa is a fun event for the whole family. It is held in the school gym and there are crafts, games, photo booths, pizza, desserts, and of course ... SANTA!</i> | 25 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Set up gym / clean-up gym - Registration desk - Pizza table, dessert table - Santa’s elves <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o help with line for pictures and printing o help with craft tables and photo booths |
| **Sweetheart Dance / Spring Fling <i>This is a student/adult event. Students are invited to bring their sweetheart to the gym for dancing, pizza, games and fun.</i> | 20 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Set up gym / clean-up gym - Event Registration table - Pizza table, dessert table - Photo booths |
| **Family Bingo | TBD | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Event registration - Pizza Distribution |
| Help Solicit Sponsorships | Ongoing | All sponsorship requests must be run by H&S first in order to avoid local businesses being asked for donations more than once. If you have a connection with a business please contact someone on the H&S Board regarding sponsorship ideas. |
| Virtual Fundraising ideas | | Help determine and run a virtual fundraiser to support the school. |

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