

Dear Cimino Family,

Welcome to the 2017 – 2018 school year! If you are new to Cimino, welcome from the Cimino PTA! If you are returning, welcome back! The Cimino PTA's mission is to assist our school in enabling our children to achieve their maximum potential. PTA programs are a great way to be a part of what goes on at Cimino — yearlong activities like taking pictures for the yearbook, as well as special events such as the Cougar Challenge Walk-a-thon, Santa Shop and Field Day. None of these functions would be possible or successful without the help of our Cimino family. Your volunteer commitment can be as great or as little as your schedule allows. Whether you can help out at school or from home, weekdays or weekends, any and all help is very appreciated!

Please take a moment to review the volunteer opportunities. Check any that may be of interest to you and return the form to your child's teacher. Your contact information will be added to the volunteer database, and we will keep you updated with more details and reminders *as the event or project approaches*. We understand that schedules change, so please select any programs that interest you, even if you're unsure of your ability to fully commit at this time.

This year we will once again be utilizing the website SignUp Genius ([www.signupgenius.com](http://www.signupgenius.com)) to help us coordinate volunteer time slots and donations. The online process of signing up for an event is very simple, and you are not required to have a SignUp Genius account in order to participate. Only your name and commitment (time or donation item) is seen by other participants/invitees—no other contact information. You will not receive any e-mails (including spam) from SignUp Genius other than the specific event signup e-mail, any changes to the event signup, and a single reminder prior to the event. We hope everyone will find this online method a convenient way to see what's available, what's needed, and signup! If you have any questions about the signup process or privacy concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me or the organizing event chairperson for more information.

All on-campus volunteers are required by the school district to complete a SERVE volunteer application each school year. This has to be done online. Please visit <http://serve.mysdnc.org> to complete the application. The process starts on the Hillsborough County Schools Volunteer Services page. From there, click the green Apply button on the left side of the page to start the application. Once completed, it will be submitted to the district. ***Even if you have volunteered in the past, please complete a new form for the 2017 – 2018 school year.***

If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact me. I can be reached at [CiminoVolunteers@gmail.com](mailto:CiminoVolunteers@gmail.com). You can also find this information and more on our website [www.ciminopta.com](http://www.ciminopta.com).

Thank you in advance for your interest in volunteering at Cimino! We're looking forward to another great year!

Cimino PTA

Jane Owen  
*Vice President of Volunteers*

Please complete this form with your contact information and volunteer interests. You only need to fill out one form regardless of the number of children you have at the school.

Thank you for helping make Cimino such a great school!

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY.**

Volunteer Name: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail (This is the PTA's primary form of contact.): \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Contact Phone (circle one): Cell Home Work \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to child(ren) (circle one): Parent/Guardian Grandparent Other \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name	Grade	Teacher
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

**I want to volunteer:**

- Yes, I can help! Put me on the list to be contacted for all needs (even if I can't *always* help).
- Yes, I can volunteer! I have checked the activities/events/committees that I am interested in below.
- Yes, I want to donate my expertise in a certain area! (Area: \_\_\_\_\_)

*Please note, some teachers have classroom volunteers. Teachers organize the volunteers for their classrooms.*

*Please select all activities/events in which you may be interested in volunteering. Descriptions of the volunteer opportunities are listed on the back of this form.*

**One-time/Occasional On-Campus Opportunities:**

- Cimino Cougar Challenge
- Reflections
- Fall Festival
- Picture Day
- Health Screening Day
- Book Fair
- Teacher & Staff Appreciation
- Reading Night/Santa Pictures
- Santa Shop
- Coins for a Cure
- Field Day
- Spring Dance
- Special Events

**Regular On-campus Opportunities:**

- Yearbook Photos
- Flier Flingers
- Copy Team
- Media Center
- Living Habitat

**At Home Opportunities:**

- Box Tops
- Hospitality Donations for Teacher/Staff
- Signs/Posters

**One-time/Occasional On-Campus Opportunities:**

**CIMINO COUGAR CHALLENGE:** The kids will be taking to the track to walk as many laps as they can in our big (and, hopefully, only!) fundraiser for the year! Lots of volunteers will be needed throughout the morning event to help mark kids' laps and pass out water and popsicles. An afternoon volunteer will be needed to pick up final tally sheets from the classrooms. Date: October 6.

**REFLECTIONS:** Help gather, organize, and submit student projects and paperwork for the annual Reflections arts program. Assist in preparing students' artwork for display.

**FALL FESTIVAL:** Help with setting up or working the PTA-run booth. (This is separate from the teacher/classroom-run booths.) Shifts available in the afternoon and evening. Date: October 27.

**PICTURE DAY:** Help with lining up students, collecting order packets, and making sure those collars are straight and smiles are wide during fall and/or spring individual and spring group pictures days. Various time slots available on each of the three days.

**HEALTH SCREENING DAY:** Help with lining up students and maintaining organization on screening day. No nursing/medical experience is needed. Various time slots available.

**BOOK FAIR:** Held for one week in the fall and again in the spring, the book fair is a great opportunity for the kids and parents to buy some great books! Volunteers are needed for set-up, check-out (cash register), and break-down. Various shifts before, during, and after school plus one evening are available for either or both fairs.

**TEACHER & STAFF APPRECIATION:** Help with various activities and celebration goodies in honor of our teachers and staff throughout year, including Teacher Appreciation Week.

**READING NIGHT/SANTA PICTURES:** Help with organization and picture-taking of the kids with Santa on Reading Night. Date: December 7.

**SANTA SHOP:** Assist children with picking out gifts for family and friends. Santa Shop is held one week in December during school hours. Various shifts are available.

**COINS FOR A CURE:** Money counters are needed each day during the spring Coins for a Cure Week to count donations from students and teachers. Different days available.

**FIELD DAY:** Help the coaches run a game or activity during this great spring event. Various time slots available. Date: March 9.

**SPRING DANCE:** Help in the set-up, operation, and/or tear-down of the end-of-school dance. Date: May 18.

**SPECIAL EVENTS:** Help in the set-up, operation, and/or tear-down of events planned during the year.

**Regular On-Campus Opportunities:**

**YEARBOOK PHOTOS:** Be part of the team that helps take those great candid pictures of the kids in the classrooms, around school, and at special events for the school yearbook. Pictures will need to be labeled or categorized by class and/or event.

**FLIER FLINGERS:** Help assemble the school information fliers that go home with students.

**COPY TEAM:** Provide photocopying support school-wide once a week through a centralized Copy Team.

**MEDIA CENTER:** Assist the Media Specialist in the Media Center once a week with book check-in and check-out, shelving, and other duties as needed.

**LIVING HABITAT:** Assist the leaders of the Living Habitat club, during meetings or gathering needed supplies. The club meets once a month.

**At Home Opportunities:**

**BOX TOPS:** Assist with trimming, sorting, and counting box tops.

**HOSPITALITY DONATIONS FOR STAFF APPRECIATION EVENTS:** The Hospitality group provides meals and/or goodies for teachers on conference nights, the holiday staff lunch, and for teacher appreciation events throughout year. If you cannot help coordinate or help with events at school but would like to donate supplies or make food on occasions, this opportunity may be for you!

**SIGNS/POSTERS:** Make signs/posters for school events as needed (one to four times per year).