



Volunteers are what make the PTA, and we need a lot of them throughout the year in order to provide a rich experience for our students. But the beauty of volunteering with the Dondero PTA is that many of these volunteer opportunities are things that can be done partly or mostly at home on your own time. You even can be a part of a committee without committing to come to PTA monthly meetings! Interested in really diving into something robust? Check out the Artist in Residence program or Science Day. Want to be able to do it all at home? Maybe Yearbook layouts are more your speed. Like being able to come into school from time to time to set up something special? Maybe Teacher Appreciation or a shift at the Book Fair are up your alley. We've got opportunities for all interests. Let us know how you'd like to help!

ARTISTS IN RESIDENCE (AIRs): Chair and small committee work together to research and organize artists and musicians who can provide cultural enrichment opportunities to all students at all grade-levels throughout the school year.

CALENDAR RAFFLE (February 2-25, 2022): Solicit donations for each day of the raffle leading up to February break, coordinate informational letters and ticket sales, manage daily drawings. Perfect for a team of two or three people.

DINE OUT FOR DONDERO: Coordinate fundraising events with local restaurants. Help committee chair with outreach, date coordination, thank you letters, promotion to families etc.

END OF YEAR CELEBRATION: Our year-end event takes place each spring on the Dondero field with games, music, and food. Similar in scope to the Fall Event. [COMMITTEE CHAIR NEEDED]

FALL EVENT (Late Sept/Early Oct 2021): An annual community-building event taking place each fall outside at school. Music, food, activities, and games are the name of the game for students and families! Organize logistics (table placement, power requirements, etc), solicit donations for raffle prizes from local businesses, and make it a blast! Four or five committee members needed to meet, create a plan, and coordinate with the Dondero administration. [COMMITTEE CHAIR NEEDED]

GROUNDS: With all of our new landscaping and equipment, we need folks who like to get their hands dirty! Help keep the garden beds tidy, refresh plantings, and maintain paths around the gardens, story walk, and playground. [COMMITTEE CHAIR NEEDED]

MOVIE NIGHTS: Movie nights are big at Dondero, and we hope to get back to hosting them soon. Coordinate movie voting for students, and organize concessions and volunteers for setup and cleanup at movie nights throughout the school year. [CHAIR NEEDED]

POPCORN POP CREW (Fridays all year): Volunteer to be a popcorn popper on Friday mornings from 8:15-9:45am on a rotating, substitute basis throughout the year.

POPCORN CLEAN CREW: Clean the popcorn machine on Friday afternoons anytime after 2:30pm once every 4-8 weeks. [A simple process taking less than 30 minutes] VIEW our HOW TO video and see just how easy it is: <http://www.donderopta.org/popcorn.html>

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR (January 2022): Coordinate with Scholastic to bring the Book Fair back to Dondero! Organize volunteers to staff the book fair during the week, coordinate with teachers to create a schedule for each class to come to the book fair, and manage advertising and promotion. [COMMITTEE CHAIR NEEDED]

SCIENCE DAY (March 2022): This is an all-out, hands-on, full day of science in the classrooms with local and regional professionals. Topics cover a wide range of interests from wildlife, robotics, space, chemistry, and more. There is something for everyone! Science Day involves individualized schedules, uses all of the classroom space, and requires creativity and flexibility. We need folks who can coordinate the presenters and manage their needs, organize volunteers for setups and check-in, take pictures, and more. This is a large committee effort that starts in the fall and runs until event day in the spring. [COMMITTEE CHAIR NEEDED]

SPELL-A-THON (April 2022): A school-wide, non-competitive spelling event that raises money with per word or flat rate sponsorships of students by families and friends. Chair coordinates with teachers to get grade-appropriate spelling lists, sends informational packets and pledge sheets home, organizes volunteers to correct spelling sheets after the event, and collects pledges.

SPIRIT WEAR: New Dondero gear is always cause for celebration! Two or three volunteers will help choose new items for sale, manage vendor relationships, organize sales in Fall and Spring, and coordinate order fulfillment. This is easy to do from home, after work/school hours.

SQUARE 1 ART: Square 1 Art is a fundraising program that lets you print artwork on everything from magnets to beach towels, and is a great way to share your student's art with friends and family! Chair coordinates with Dondero art teacher Adam Bastille about themes for each grade level, and promotes the sale to families. [COMMITTEE CHAIR NEEDED]

TEACHER APPRECIATION: Assist the event chairperson in organizing and setting up breakfasts, lunches, or special treats for teachers throughout the school year. Chair and five committee members.

YEARBOOK: The yearbook process begins in September and ends in May when the book heads off to the printer. Throughout the year, the committee will work to gather photos from teachers and families, organize and design photo layouts, and coordinate advertising and sales. Three or four people needed to help the committee chair. Graphic design/photo layout experience is a plus. [COMMITTEE CHAIR NEEDED]

Do you have special skills like photography or graphic design, and want to help out, but only once in a while? Let us know, and we can reach out on a case-by-case basis.