



FLINT HILL SCHOOL

PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

DIVISIONAL AMBASSADOR VOLUNTEER ROLE FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. **I'm new to Flint Hill, what's the difference between a PTA and the Flint Hill Parents' Association?**
 - a. Parent Teacher Associations (PTAs) are typically associated with public schools, operate within state-defined guidelines and frequently play the role of advocating for school resources and funding. The purpose of the Flint Hill Parents' Association is to build community. The full mission can be found [here](#). Parents' Association activities are open to all parents and guardians, there is no membership fee, and does not operate independently of Flint Hill School.
2. **What does a Divisional Ambassador do? How much time is *really* needed?**
 - a. Click [here](#) for the detailed description. We estimate Divisional Ambassadors will spend approximately 15 hours per year. For those who have more time, there are additional opportunities to be involved. This structure is intentionally designed to be inclusive of those with limited time to volunteer as well as those whose schedule during the day does not have much flexibility.
3. **Do I need to have been at Flint Hill for a while in order to serve in this role?**
 - a. No. In fact, volunteering for this role during your first few years can be a great way to connect with and meet other parents as well as get to know the school beyond your own child's experience.
4. **Is past volunteer experience required?**
 - a. No, everyone is welcome. Rather than past volunteer experience, it's about a mindset. If you're positive, friendly, enthusiastic about Flint Hill and building community, and committed to our [core values, mission, vision and statement of equity and inclusion](#) this could be a great role for you.

- 5. Why are you asking about employment status, ethnicity and zip code on the self-nomination form?**
- a. As much as is possible, each group of Divisional Ambassadors will bring a broad range of backgrounds, experiences, and perspectives that are reflective of the rich diversity of our student body. This will help ensure Parents' Association activities and events will meet the broadest range of needs.
- 6. I have a really busy schedule. Can I still serve?**
- a. Yes. By having a structure and role that provides ways to get involved that are flexible, realistic, fun, and meaningful, more people are able to be involved. If you don't have the time to serve in this role, you're encouraged to participate in the many activities that require even less time.
- 7. What's the difference between the Admission Ambassadors/Hello Husky Team and the Parents' Association Divisional Ambassadors?**
- a. Admission Ambassadors work with prospective and newly enrolled families. Divisional Ambassadors work with current families. The roles are not mutually exclusive and parents are welcome to serve in both roles.
- 8. I'm interested in serving but can't do it this year, what about future years?**
- a. Each Spring new and returning parents will receive a signup form. The commitment is only for one school year at a time.
- 9. I prefer one-time opportunities. What are other ways I can get involved?**
- a. The Parents' Association always publishes events and volunteer opportunities in the School Newsletter so they are available to everyone. Additionally, nearly every week there are concession volunteers either during the school day, after school, or during games.
- 10. I have other questions that weren't answered here, who do I contact?**
- a. You can email Parents' Association President [Scott McCandless](#) or Assistant Head of School [Meredith VanDuyne](#) or call 703.584.2351.