

Ongoing Serving Opportunities

- Volunteer in the school office or as a teacher's assistant
- Volunteer for sports programs, special events or work projects
- Volunteer as a translator for non-English speaking students or parents.
- Volunteer as a chaperone at lunch time and for school events
- Equip teachers for literacy issues that they are facing with students and parents, or teach ESL.
- Translate important documents
- Help parents register students for classes, events & parent meetings
- Support "Prayer at the Pole," and / or recruit prayer partners for the faculty
- Organize Teacher Appreciation events at the school
- Start or join a "Moms in Touch Prayer Group"
- Help connect "needy" families to resources in the community
- Mentor and / or tutor a student during the school day
- Read with students and serve as a reading listener for students
- Create After School Programs
- Teach Bible as an elective off site – see www.rtcenter.org
- Provide school supplies for "needy" children

Additional Serving Opportunities

- Attend a "Sneak Peak" gathering, send an email to the principal, or join the PTA
- Visit the Professional Association of Georgia Educators website at www.pageinc.org
- Visit the Christian Educators Association International website at www.ceai.org
- Contact Heidi Hooper at 678-405-2164 or heidih@perimeter.org.



Serving Public Schools



If you are interested in discovering how to start serving and building relationships with a local public school, this guide will provide ideas and walk you through step by step.

Resources

A Public Schools Starter Packet, Directory, Response Form, and additional resources are available at www.UniteUs.org.

For questions or additional information, contact Heidi Hooper at 678-405-2164 or heidih@perimeter.org.

Planning a Project

These are seven easy steps to planning a successful public schools service project.

1. Pray for and identify a school to serve.
2. Contact the principal or assistant principal.
3. Ask, "How can we serve you during Compassion in Action Weekend?"
4. Plan your project.
5. Invite family, friends, neighbors, and others to participate.
6. Post your project on the Unite! webpage at www.UniteUs.org.
7. Pray about and consider how you may be called to continue serving this public school.

1st Time Service Projects

The best first step is to simply visit the public school that you would like to serve, and meet with the principal, and then simply ask the question, "How can we serve you?"

- Find out if the school already has plans or will be planning a service project, and offer to help coordinate or participate in what they are already planning to do.
- Bless brand new teachers with much needed classroom materials and supplies.
- Coordinate a drive in your neighborhood or at your workplace for used books and games to donate to the school.
- Host a "Teacher Appreciation Luncheon" at the school.
- Prayer Walk the school campus. Pray for the principal and teachers (continually).
- Offer to do a work project (mulch playground, painting, plant a garden, etc.)

Vision for Ongoing Serving

The vision for serving in the public schools extends throughout the year. There are ongoing opportunities serve all year long.

Public School Liaisons

Those interested in serving as leaders will serve primarily as a liaison between the school and church to assess needs within the schools, communicate the needs to the church, and invite people to serve.

We are excited as to the prospect of the lives of students, teachers, and families being transformed by churches as we continue to work together to serve and positively influence our local public schools.

Adopt a School

Your church can decide to adopt a public school, which simply means that you will be intentional about caring about your selected school however you are able.

The minimum requirement is that you pray regularly for your selected school. Anything more than that is up to you. You may choose to do landscape projects, or send mentors, tutors, office volunteers, etc. It's up to you.

Get Involved

For a comprehensive list of schools and a response form, go to www.UniteUs.org.