



Dear Mailman Segal Center Families and Friends,

Thank you for volunteering at NSU's Mailman Segal Center. We truly pride ourselves on the fact that parent involvement (at any level) is an integral part of our culture. It is a meaningful part of who we are, and not only do the children take notice, but it strengthens our community in a truly meaningful way.

Please read over the following guidelines as well as the Volunteer Code of Conduct and Affidavit of Good Moral Character then sign and return the Code of Conduct and Affidavit to the front desk.

- **Learn our philosophy.** We encourage children to develop socially, emotionally, and intellectually in a setting that fosters individuality, curiosity, and enthusiasm for learning. We provide each child with choices, challenges, and opportunities that nurture feelings of competence and promote growth in all areas of development. By respecting individual differences, we recognize that children develop at their own pace and with their own learning style.
- **Respect our teachers.** The teachers are in the best position to determine the most effective use of volunteers in their classroom. Please respect their needs and decisions on how they chose to use the volunteers within their classroom environment.
- **Dress for mess.** We want you to be comfortable and not have to worry about your clothing being damaged.
- **Maintain confidentiality:** Parents or family members who volunteer in the school that their children attend are in a special situation. It is essential that they hold in confidence any information learned about or from the students. This includes not disseminating, posting or sharing photographs of other children.
- **Be enthusiastic and enjoy the children.** Know that your work makes a difference in the lives of our children and the richness of the classroom.

Please feel free to speak with your child's teacher or a school administrator if you have any questions or concerns. We look forward having you join us.

Sincerely,

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