

Application for Youth Volunteers

(grades 4 - 12)

Any youth wishing to help in Kid City needs to have a parent's permission to do so. Both the student and the parent need to read and agree to abide by the following guidelines:

- High school age students may teach or assist in a class with the classroom teacher's permission.
- Students in grades 4-8 may help out in a class under the supervision of an adult in the class.
- Youth will volunteer once per month according to the schedule set by the Children's Ministry Director or Nursery Coordinator. Youth volunteers have the option of working additional Sundays if desired and approved by parents.
- A student will make a yearly commitment (Sept June), with periodic reviews by the Director of Children's Ministries to evaluate how things are going.
- If a student decides they do not want to continue their involvement, they must speak to the Director of Children's Ministry who will communicate the change to the student's parents.
- Students will remain in their assigned classroom for the duration of the program.
- If a youth volunteer is behaving inappropriately, the teacher/supervising adult will take the student aside and direct he/she as to the proper behavior.
- Students will always work alongside another adult, and never be left alone with the children. Youth volunteers may escort children to the bathroom under the proper guidelines set in the "Child Protection Policy".

Students will apply by going over the above guidelines with their parents, completing the form below, and returning it to the Director of Children's Ministries. Also, please read the Child Protection Policy (http://htcchicago.org/hyde-park/ministries/kid-city/) & if applicable, the Nursery Policies.

| Classroom student is applying to work in: Supervising Adult: We have read the above guidelines for student volunteers and agree to follow them. | |
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| I have read the Child Protection Policy and, if I | am a nursery volunteer, the Nursery Policy Handbook |
| Student's signature | Date |