



THE PRIDE

AN IB WORLD SCHOOL

The E. Rivers family develops confident, independent learners; challenging them to be respectful and compassionate citizens of the world, while providing a rigorous, inquiry-based education.

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**E. RIVERS EDUCATION
FOUNDATION, INC.**



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Friends of E. Rivers Foundation, Inc.

The PRIDE is a family of advocacy groups that work year-round to support the mission of E. Rivers: PTA, E. Rivers Education Foundation, Local School Council and Friends of E. Rivers. This newsletter will provide quarterly updates on their activities to support the students of E. Rivers.

We Are E. Rivers

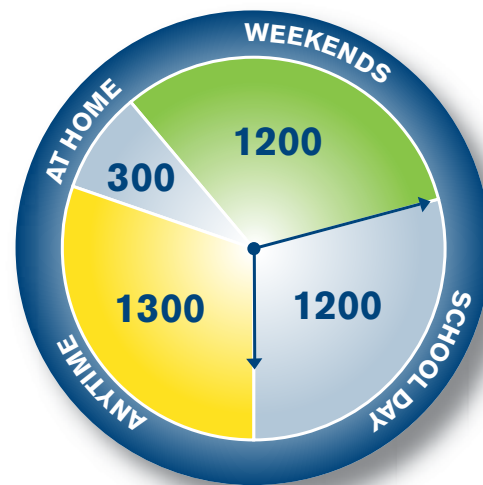
At E. Rivers, we have a wonderful, dedicated group of teachers and staff members that make our school a great place. But did you know that we have many volunteers that devote thousands of hours each year to make our school truly exceptional!

Volunteers spend time in classrooms, in the art room, in the science lab, before school, after school, weekends, working at home all to enhance the educational experience of the students. Volunteering is a way to contribute to the greater good of E.Rivers; the neighborhood school of choice we call home!



“VOLUNTEERS DO NOT NECESSARILY HAVE THE TIME; THEY JUST HAVE THE HEART!”

-Elizabeth Andrew



Our parents spend more than 4,000 hours each school year volunteering for E. Rivers; the neighborhood school we call home!

★ Volunteer ★

FOUR EASY WAYS TO HELP OUR SCHOOL



Tree and Bake Sale

Each year in early December, the parking lot is transformed into a winter wonderland! The PTA sells more than 400 trees, wreaths and strands of the finest Fraser firs from North Carolina. Customers come back every year because we have the freshest trees! In addition, we have a bake sale selling wonderful treats baked by our parent volunteers.

How can you help? Sign up to work a few hour shift at the tree sale, a favorite activity of many dads. For those good in the kitchen, simply bake a yummy

treat to be sold at the bake sale. Contact marjomand@bellsouth.net

Movie Afternoon

The PTA hosts a Movie Afternoon each month for the students. They get a chance eat popcorn and watch a movie after school with their friends.

What a fun way to spend an afternoon with your child and his friends. If you have 2 or 3 hours on a Friday afternoon, the Movie Committee can use your help! Contact segal.k@gmail.com.

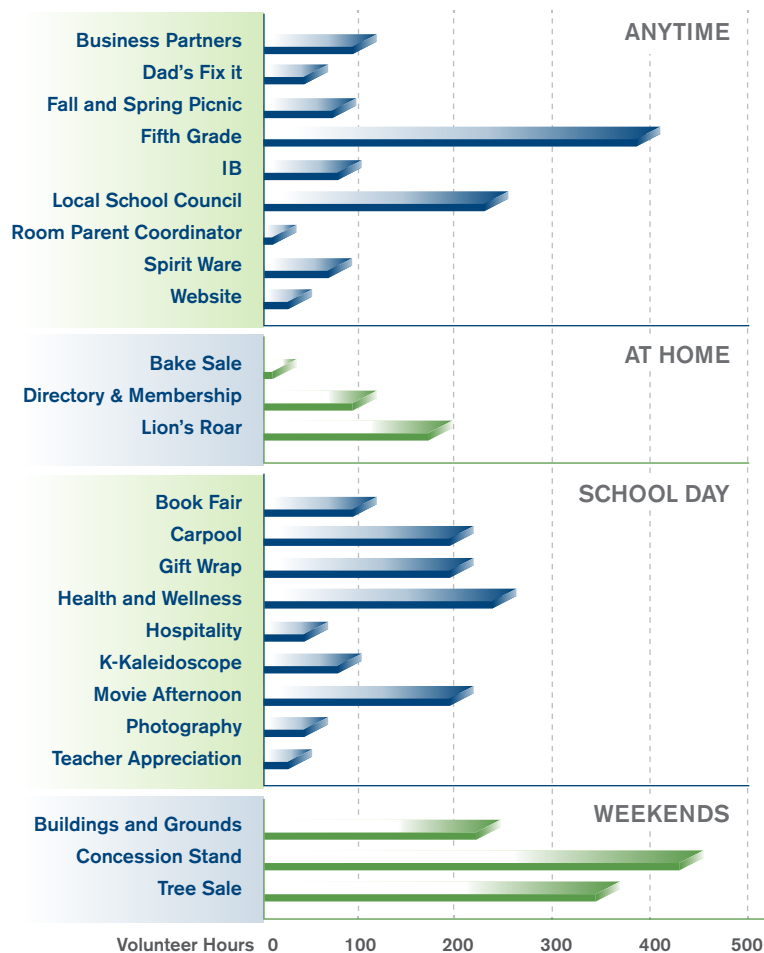


You Are E. Rivers

There are so many ways to volunteer your time for both big tasks and small. The time you spend volunteering sends a clear message to your child that their education is important to you too! You also lead by example by offering your help where it is needed. You are instantly rewarded by the happy look on the face of your child and probably a few others, too.

If you are interested in volunteering on a specific committee or have a particular talent to share, please contact the Welcome Desk or eriverswelcomedesk@gmail.com. We will find a place for you to help! Or you can always ask your child's teachers; they will definitely welcome the assistance.

Here is the breakdown of hours served by each committee. Look for where you would like to get involved.



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The Concession Stand

Our lower field is host to hundreds of area children and their parents each Saturday and Sunday in the Fall and Spring. The Concession Stand sells drinks and snacks to this community; profits fund the many great activities of the PTA at E.Rivers.

Working at the Concession Stand couldn't be easier. The Concession Stand is fully stocked when you arrive, all items cost only \$1, and it's a great opportunity to volunteer with your child! Contact eriversconcession@gmail.com.



The Carpool

In addition to teachers, the carpool line is staffed each morning by several parent volunteers. Having parents help open and close doors and help kids get those heavy backpacks on really makes the carpool line run smoothly.

Stop by any morning from 7:30 to 8:00 and help open doors and offer a friendly face! What a great way to start your day and the day of the students that you help! Contact eriverswelcomedesk@gmail.com.



“WE MAKE A LIVING BY WHAT WE DO, BUT WE MAKE A LIFE BY WHAT WE GIVE.”

-Winston Churchill



Parental involvement is key to a child’s educational success!

What better way to show your child that you value their education than by spending time in their school!



YOUR DOLLARS AT WORK

A quarterly update of how fundraising dollars are spent (Sept-Oct, 2011)

EXPENDITURE	AMOUNT	GRADE
SMART Phonics	\$ 9,600	K and 1st
Developmental Reading Assessments	\$ 5,100	All
High Touch High Tech	\$ 5,600	All
Magnet Makers		1st
Space, Final Frontier		2nd
Dig It		3rd
Cosmic Capers & Meteorology Madness		4th
Georgia Geographica		5th
Planners and Friday Folders	\$ 2,100	All
Individual Teacher Grants	\$ 3,600	All
Worldly Wise (Spelling and Vocabulary)	\$ 1,500	Upper
Mountain Math	\$ 920	Upper
Social Studies Weekly Magazines	\$ 550	4th
Video Library	\$ 260	4th
Promethean Board Software	\$ 230	4th
Seat Sacks	\$ 200	K
Smart Sleuth Ink Pads	\$ 170	K

FUNDRAISING

Summary of fundraising for School Year 2011-12 (thru October 31st)

FUNDRAISER	AMOUNT
Lion’s Pride	\$ 83,000
Gift Wrap	\$ 12,500
Concession Stand	\$ 5,600
Community Business Partners	\$ 6,500
5th Grade Carwash & Pumpkin Patch	\$ 2,800
Movie Afternoon	\$ 750

OTHER WAYS TO SUPPORT E. RIVERS

Date	Event	Sponsor
Dec 2 - 4	Christmas Tree & Bake Sale	PTA
Jan 18 - 20	Scholastic Book Fair	PTA
Mar 24	Spring Auction Gala	EREF
Fall & Spring	Lions Pause Concession Stand	PTA
Ongoing	Corporate & Business Donations	EREF & PTA
Ongoing	Alumni Donation Campaign	Friends