

OPERATION SHOESTRING, INC.
Volunteer Tutor/Mentor Application

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Jackson, MS 39209
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Date: _____ Referred by: _____

Name: _____
 First Middle Last

Home Phone: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Occupation: _____ Employer/School: _____

Work Phone: (____)- _____ Other Phone: (____)- _____

Age: _____ Gender: _____ Ethnicity (optional): _____

Emergency Contact Information

Name & Relation: _____ Phone: (____)- _____

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Languages spoken, read, or written (other than English): _____

Areas of Interest: (Check All that Apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Tutor | <input type="checkbox"/> Math | <input type="checkbox"/> Reading | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Studies |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (_____) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (_____) | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mentor | <input type="checkbox"/> Male | <input type="checkbox"/> Female | <input type="checkbox"/> No Preference | |

Have you ever worked in a school setting or after-school program? _____ If yes, please specify: _____

What other specific skills and qualities can you contribute as a volunteer tutor or mentor? _____

I would like to work with: (Check All that Apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-K -Kindergarteners | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 rd Graders |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 st Graders | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 th Graders |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 nd Graders | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 th Graders |

*****Please read and sign the back of this form.*****

OPERATION SHOESTRING'S MISSION

Operation Shoestring exists to invest in the hearts and minds of our children and their families to promote health and self-sufficiency, and faithfully extend the hand of hope and opportunity to empower the needy, uplift our target neighborhoods and the larger community, and brighten the future for us all.

VOLUNTEER DUTIES

The volunteer tutors/mentors will provide friendship, learning educational assistance, and support to students by tutoring/mentoring at least one hour per week and/or performing other duties as assigned. Assignments will be under the direct supervision of the Assistant Program Coordinator and/or other designated staff persons.

Schedules will depend upon the grade level selected.

VOLUNTEER SKILLS

We desire volunteers who are patient, enthusiastic about learning, creative, have an appreciation for youth, have a good sense of humor, will work with a variety of underprivileged youth of all skill sets and backgrounds, and have a strong sense of responsibility.

STUDENT NEEDS

Our students look to our program for not only academic support, social-emotional development, new learning opportunities, and college/career preparation, but also as a center of comfort, safety and stability. As a volunteer with our program, they will be looking to you as a role model and reliable source of support as well.

VOLUNTEER COMMITMENT

We ask our volunteers to:

- Participate in an orientation provided by O.S. staff.
- Provide volunteer services as scheduled.
- Phone O.S. Staff when there are schedule changes and volunteering is not possible.
- Initiate conversations and meetings with O.S. staff regarding ideas, questions, concerns, etc.
- Sign in and out for every volunteer session.
- Consider seriously the amount of time you have available before making a commitment to volunteer.

I AM OFFERING MY SERVICES TO OPERATION SHOESTRING AS A VOLUNTEER WITHOUT COMPENSATION. THE ORGANIZATION MAY REQUEST ANY RELEVANT INFORMATION PERTAINING TO MY BACKGROUND THAT WOULD IMPACT MY ROLE AS A VOLUNTEER. AS A VOLUNTEER, I WILL ABIDE BY ALL RULES AND AGREE TO SIGN ALL FORMS THAT ARE APPLICABLE TO THE SAFETY OF STUDENTS. I WILL NOT BE LEFT UNSUPERVISED WITH ANY STUDENT.

I AFFIRM THAT ALL THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS TRUE AND THAT FALSE OR MISLEADING INFORMATION MAY LEAD TO MY TERMINATION AS A VOLUNTEER.

I CERTIFY UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT I HAVE NOT BEEN REQUIRED TO REGISTER AS A SEX OFFENDER AND HAVE NEVER BEEN ACCUSED OF AND/OR COMMITTED CHILD ABUSE OF ANY KIND.

Signature

Date