Bay Farm Montessori Parents Association (MPA)

Parent Volunteer Opportunities: 2019-2020

The Bay Farm Parents Association (MPA) plays an important role in the life of the school. The MPA raises funds for and plans many of the social events for students and families throughout the year such as the school dance, Gingerbread Week, and parent socials. The MPA also funds and plans teacher appreciation events and gives back a portion of fundraising to the school to benefit the Bay Farm Fund.

As a parent of a Bay Farm student, you are automatically a member of the MPA. There are many opportunities to volunteer your time and talents to the MPA, both virtually and/or in-person. We value, appreciate, and depend on our volunteers! Your time, creativity and enthusiasm are what make our community thrive. Please let us know how you would like to become involved. Thank you in advance for your participation. We could not do any of this without your help! Please indicate which position(s) you are interested in and return this form to the office by Friday September 13th.

- The MPA Leadership Team

Parent Name(s) ____________________________ Email(s): ____________________________

Descriptions of volunteer opportunities are listed on the back of this form....

**Teacher/Staff Appreciation**
Chair: Jessica Laaper
___ Volunteer

**Refreshment Volunteer**
___ Yes, I will help!

**Box Tops (ongoing)**
Chair: __________
Families can participate by saving box tops at

**Pumpkin Carving & Pumpkin Stroll**
Chair: __________

**Halloween Party & Trunk or Treat, Friday 10/25**
Halloween Party  Trunk or Treat
Chair: Paul Travers  Chair: Amy Delgado
___ Co-Chair  ___ Co-Chair
___ Day of Volunteer  ___ Day of Volunteer

**5k Run by the Bay | Saturday, October 19**
Chair: Kristen Jorgensen
___ Race Committee  ___ Volunteer Day of Race

**Book Fair | November 20 and 21**
Chair: Brittanie Greco
___ Set-Up: Friday, Nov. 15 (afternoon)  ___ Volunteer Day of Nov. 20  ___ Volunteer Day of Nov. 21

Do you have a special interest or talent that you would like to share with the students at Bay Farm? Let us know:
__________________________________________  __________________________________________
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Events in GREEN require weekday daytime availability.

**Teacher/Staff Appreciation**
Help is always needed to think of and/or plan fun, creative ways to honor our teachers and staff. 2-3 events are planned each year to show appreciation for teachers during school conferences, professional development days or holidays. Several special tokens of appreciation are also planned during Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week May 5th – 8th, 2020.

**Refreshment Volunteer:**
Help is needed on an on-call basis to provide refreshments for various events, including Teacher Appreciation events, admission open houses, and as additional opportunities arise. (Home-baked and store-bought goods are equally appreciated as you are able!)

**Box Tops (ongoing)**
Box Tops is a fun and easy fundraiser. Volunteers are needed to help with Box Tops collection all through the year. We also send out several collection sheets you can use to tape or paste box tops as you get them. Box Top submissions occur twice a year; once in the fall and once in the spring.

**5k Run by the Bay | Saturday, October 19**
The proceeds from this event support Bay Farm’s financial-aid fund for deserving students enrolled at the school. Bay Farm is committed to balanced classrooms and socio-economic diversity and provides financial assistance to families for which full tuition payment is not possible. Awards range from a few hundred dollars up to 50% of the tuition rate. Volunteers are needed for day-of-race registration, water stations, assisting with timing the race, and many other things.

**Halloween Party**
This annual community party is one not to be missed! Volunteers will be needed to help with crafts, games, and face painting.

**Trunk or Treat**
We are adding a little more fun to our Halloween Party! Love decorate for Halloween? Trunk or Treat is a fun, safe, interactive Halloween event! Volunteers will park in the main Bay Farm parking lot and go all out decorating the trunks of their car, and kids are able to trick or treat by going from trunk to trunk!

**The Book Fair**
The Book Fair is a treasured annual event. Funds raised through the sale help support Bay Farm’s library. Held for two days in November, we host a Barnes and Nobles book fair. Volunteers are needed to help pick up, set up, and assist students choose appropriate books during classroom visits.
Prep for Gingerbread Week
The week in December prior to “Gingerbread Week” is when the real magic happens. The MPA sponsors Gingerbread Week yearly by purchasing cookies, houses, candy, and icing that brings the fun to the classrooms. The MPA is in need of the following volunteers:

Candy Sorters: Join a few other volunteers to sit and sort candy into individual bags for the children to use to decorate their gingerbread cookies.

Gingerbread Pick-Up Help: Julie Hawkins in Art Land orders gingerbread cookies for every child in Toddler House and Children’s House as well as a gingerbread house for each child in Elementary and Middle School. It is quite a feat to get these from the bakery in Marshfield! We need a few drivers to caravan over to the bakery with Julie. This is usually done in the morning on the Thursday or Friday prior to Gingerbread Week in December.

School Dance
Come dance the night away and volunteer during this much anticipated yearly event! Volunteers will be needed to help set-up, clean-up, monitor hallways, and help with activities.

Annual Bay Farm Auction
Volunteers are needed year-round to identify and obtain auctionable items. Volunteers are needed for regular meetings on campus in the months and weeks preceding the auction to plan and organize auction items, marketing, and venue logistics. Volunteers are also needed on the day of the event to set up tables, auction items and decorations at the venue.

Field Day Captains
The last day of school is Field Day. The MPA is in need of Field Day captains to coordinate activities/games for their specific groups (i.e. Children’s House, Elementary, etc.).

Festival on the Farm
Help us to bring our festival vision to life! This campus wide day will bring music, food trucks, crafters, a farmers market, a rummage sale and the love for our farm animals all to Bay Farm!

Bay Farm Golf Tournament
Now it is third year this is an event not to be missed – and one for the whole family! Join us for a day of golf to raise money for the Bay Farm Fund.

None of these events would be successful without your time and dedication! Thank you so much for your support!