

**AMEND BOARD REPORT 99-0728-PO4 THE CHICAGO  
PUBLIC SCHOOLS VOLUNTEER POLICY**

**GENERAL COUNSEL RECOMMENDS:**

The General Counsel recommends amendment of the Chicago Public Schools Volunteer Policy to require criminal background investigations of volunteer applicants.

(Board Rule 99-0728-PO4) with respect to the

amendment also requires that each applicant be required to complete the principal's background authorization release form to certify that the applicant has produced the required proof of identity.

The purpose of the amendment is to make the policy consistent with Illinois State Police criminal background investigation procedures.

It is the policy of the Board to promote and encourage school volunteers in order to expand and enhance the educational program while maintaining an adequate level of safety and security in the Chicago Public Schools.

**School Volunteers Shall be Approved by the Principal**

Individuals who wish to volunteer at any of our schools shall be interviewed and approved by the principal of the school. The principal's decision on whether to approve the volunteer candidate shall be final.

**Individuals Receiving a Stipend**

A volunteer is an individual who receives no payment for services. An individual who is to receive, or is receiving, a grant stipend or other compensation is not considered to be a volunteer and must

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Not applicable

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**PERSONNEL  
IMPLICATIONS:** None

**FINANCIAL  
REVIEW:** Not applicable

**LEGAL  
REVIEW:**