

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?

Many of today's students need contact with adults who can serve as role models and mentors. More and more of our students experience broken homes and are lacking adult contact.

STEP is a win-win program that:

Provides Senior Citizens with:

Tax relief

Opportunity to serve

Opportunity to share a talent

Firsthand look at your school

A great way to spend time

A chance to make a difference in a student's life!

Provides Students with:

Increased one-on-one help

Opportunity to learn something new

A chance to establish a relationship with a role model

An appreciation of the valuable contributions that senior citizens

have and do make in the community

A great way to spend time!



STEP Program

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**NORTHWOOD
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Senior Tax Exchange Program

The Northwood School District recognizes and welcomes the many talents and gifts that our senior citizens have to contribute to the well being of the community and school.

We are pleased to offer the Senior Tax Exchange Program whereas seniors have the opportunity to do volunteer school work and earn a tax credit against a school property tax bill.



WHO QUALIFIES?

Any school district resident senior citizen 62 years of age or older who receives Social Security and has taxable property in the Northwood School District.



HOW IS A VOLUNTEER COMPENSATED?

Senior Citizens will be matched with specific needs we have as a school. The school district will keep track of the number of hours volunteered with a credit of \$5.00 per hour given. A two-party check will be issued to the volunteer and appropriate county or village treasurer.

WHAT ARE SOME EXAMPLES OF THE ACTIVITIES INVOLVED?

The program is flexible and is aimed at matching individual volunteer talents with the needs of the school district.

Some activities include:

*Crafts
Tutoring
Clerical Tasks
Sharing a trade
Reading with a student
Assisting with computers
Participating in district programs*

...the list is endless and is based upon the talents of our senior citizens!



***TOGETHER WE ARE
BUILDING TOMORROW'S
FUTURE***

HOW DO YOU GET STARTED?

The first step is to complete a brief application that tells us something about yourself and what talents you can share with us. Teachers will be asked to identify extra volunteer needs they have; then, we will match volunteers with specific positions.

To better explain the program we will conduct a brief, informal orientation and interview session to interested individuals.



***INTERESTED IN MORE
INFORMATION?***

*Contact the Northwood School District
STEP Office at 466-2297.*