FAQ’s on VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

WHAT IS THE HSA?
- The HSA is the Home and School Association, consisting of seven board members and all SPCS parents.
- HSA provides financial support for needs beyond what tuition covers.
- Periodic General Meetings are held in the school, with the Board, the Principal and parents to provide communication about school happenings and vote on financial expenditures.
- The HSA hosts social and community building events, throughout the year.
- The HSA directs fundraising activities.
- HSA minutes are available on the school website.

WHAT IS THE SAC?
- The SAC is the School Advisory Council.
- SAC is comprised of parents who provide the pastor and principal with insight on school policy and evolving issues.
- Members serve as a sounding board for the administration and as a resource to the school community to present comments, issues and suggestions for consideration, but do not have decision-making powers.
- SAC minutes are available on the school website.

WHAT ARE THE FUNDRAISING EVENTS?
- Spirit Wear
- Spirit Nights
- BoxTops
- SCRIP
- Annual Gala
- Silver Graphics-Art Projects
- Chick Fil A Friday
- Book Fairs
- Holiday Boutique
- Boosters concession stand at school sporting events
- Golf Tournament

HOW CAN I BE INVOLVED IN MY CHILD’S CLASSROOM?
- Let your child’s teachers know you would like to volunteer.
- Ask your child’s teacher about being a Room Parent or Co-Room Parent.
- Ask teacher’s about “At-Home” projects.

DO WE HAVE TO PARTICIPATE IN FUNDRAISING EVENTS?
- No event is mandatory.
Volunteering is a great way to meet other parents and support the students.

All families are encouraged to donate volunteer hours to the school. 20 hours per family in Preschool; 30 hours per family K-8.

Choose the events in which your family is comfortable.

There are great rewards in encouraging students to volunteer.

The school earns over $70,000 per year through fundraising, which offsets the need for tuition increases.

Examples of past items purchased with fundraising monies are new computers/iPads, sports equipment, a sports trophy case and playground equipment. Fundraising also pays to host social events, make school improvements, provide for reading enhancement programs, and support Field Day activities.

WHAT SOCIAL EVENTS HAPPEN AT ST. PETER?

- Mother/Son Night
- Donuts with Dad
- Muffins with Mom
- Grandparents Day
- Catholic Schools week
- Teacher Appreciation week
- Class parties
- Father/Daughter Night
- Spaghetti dinner/Pumpkin Carving for Preschool
- Trunk-or-Treat
- Field Day
- Back-to-School Potluck
- Veteran’s Day Program
- School Music programs-Christmas
- Parish Grandfriend letter writing program
- School Talent Show
- Mother’s Tea for Preschool
- School Sports
- Family Social Night
- End of Year Bash

WHAT VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES DO WE HAVE?

- We welcome and appreciate family volunteers.
- All Social Events, listed above, need volunteers to support the programs.
- Hot Lunch Program, Student Council, and Coaching and Mentoring sports/theatre/Stock Market/other exploratories are additional programs needing volunteers.
- Classroom helpers, as requested by the teachers, and field trips are always needed.
- Note: Volunteer training is required (SAFE Environment Training-annually, through school/church). The Raptor program tracks volunteer opportunities and family volunteer hours. Often volunteer hours can be earned after school hours and at home. For more information email liz.wilson@petertherock.org.

THERE IS A SUGGESTION BOX IN THE SCHOOL LOBBY, FOR YOUR IDEAS.

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