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September 1st, 2016

Dear Parents and Guardians,

 Welcome to Open House 2016! I am excited to kick-off another new school year! I look forward to working with each and every one of you. I have an open door policy, and my job is to help support you in any way I humanly can. Below you will find a few useful resources pertaining to your role as a Tiger Academy Parent. Please contact me (my contact information is below) with any questions, concerns, suggestions, etc. you may have throughout the year.

# Volunteer

Parents are required to volunteer 20 hours for one child and 30 hours for two or more children each school year. To ensure the safety of our students, volunteers **must** complete an application and undergo a criminal background screening, free of charge. Designated school staff will verify volunteer clearance using our online process.

1. Go to ymcatigeracademy.org, parents and visitors tab, and click volunteers for complete details.

2. Complete Child Abuse Online Training

3. Complete online [volunteer application](https://www.applicantone.com/Account/Register?ReturnUrl=%2fapplications%2fapply%2f26203%3fportal%3dapplicant%26clientid%3d321%26cetype%3d7%26trackid%3db9e7200f-7210-4fb1-80fa-813b8c5e914f%26contentguid%3d936e2a5a-84ce-4e0d-b906-eb3f5040cd4f&ContentGUID=936e2a5a-84ce-4e0d-b906-eb3f5040cd4f&trackID=b9e7200f-7210-4fb1-80fa-813b8c5e914f)
4. You will receive an email regarding your application once your application has been processed.

**Tracking your Hours:**

1. School Events: Sign the event sign-in sheet.\*
	1. Parent Nights
	2. Parent Classes
	3. Orientations
	4. Tiger Olympics
2. Individual Events: Sign the volunteer log under your child’s name in the front office.\*
	1. Chaperone
	2. Office Duties
	3. Classroom Duties
3. **New this year:** Each quarter the hours will be tallied and sent home with your child’s report card.

\*Parents with multiple children only sign in under ONE child’s name. If the event is one hour, you will only receive one hour of service credit. If two parents come, both need to sign-in. If the event is one hour, you will receive two hours of service credit.

Title I/Parent Involvement

Tiger Academy is a Title I Elementary School.Title I Schools in Duval County implement school-wide programs.  School-wide programs have flexibility in using their Title I funds, in conjunction with other funds in the school, to upgrade the operation of the entire school.  School-wide programs must conduct a comprehensive needs assessment, identify and commit to specific goals and strategies that address those needs, create a comprehensive plan, and conduct an annual review of the effectiveness of the school-wide program that is revised as needed.

**The Resources of a Title I School**

* [DCPS Title I Parent Involvement](http://www.duvalschools.org/Page/9590)
* [DCPS Title I](http://www.duvalschools.org/Page/15452)
* [Florida Title I](http://www.fldoe.org/policy/federal-edu-programs/title-i-part-a-improving-the-academic-/improving-the-academic-achievement-of-.stml)
* [School Public Accountability Report (SPAR)](http://www.fldoe.org/accountability/data-sys/edu-info-accountability-services/pk-12-public-school-data-pubs-reports/school-public-accountability-reports-s.stml)
* [2016 FSA Results](http://www.fldoe.org/accountability/assessments/k-12-student-assessment/results/2016.stml)
* [2016 School Grades](http://schoolgrades.fldoe.org/)
* [Title I Handbook](http://floridacharterschools.org/tools/Title_1_Manual_TOC_Updated.pdf)
* [FSA Letter to Parents April 2016](http://ymcatigeracademy.org/wp-content/uploads/FSA-Letter-to-Parents-April-2016.docx)
* [Tiger Parent Right to Know 2016-2017](http://ymcatigeracademy.org/wp-content/uploads/Tiger-_Parent_Right_to_Know_2014-2015-8-27-14-1.docx)
* [Parent Compact](http://ymcatigeracademy.org/wp-content/uploads/Parent-Compact.pdf)
* [Parent Involvement Plan](http://ymcatigeracademy.org/wp-content/uploads/Parent-Involvement-Plan1.pdf)
* [Parent Involvement Budget 2015-2016](http://ymcatigeracademy.org/wp-content/uploads/2015-2016-Budget.pdf)
* [Parent Involvement Electronic Inventory](http://ymcatigeracademy.org/wp-content/uploads/Parent-Involvement-Electronic-Inventory.pdf)

Please visit ymcatigeracademy.org for more details on the resources above. Find it at the parents and visitors tab and click title I/parent involvement from the drop down menu.

Parent Resources

Did you know Tiger Academy has a Parent Resource Room? It is located just after the media center as you walk towards the primary wing. We have computers for you to access any of our online applications, printers available, reading materials, educational materials, math games, family games, electronic devises, and much more to be checked out. Please stop in, email, or call me for more information on how to access the resources!

Sincerely,

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