



Adopt-A-School Program Frequently Asked Questions

Q 1. How do I apply to the Adopt-A-School Program?

Ans. Please click on this link to reach the Jefferson Parish Schools (JPS) application site:
www.jpsschools.org/adoptaschool.

Q2. The Adopt-A-School application lists Partnership Activities and associated Action Items. May I still apply even if my organization's ability to provide school support is not listed as an Action Item?

Ans. Yes, The Adopt-A-School application does not cover all the special and unique contributions your organization might be capable of providing. Please provide JPS with other partnering information in the section asking, "Is there any other information you would like us to know about partnering with us?"

Q3. Can an organization adopt more than one school?

Ans. Yes. We would welcome organizations to adopt more than one school if they are able.

Q4. Can a single individual who is not part of an organization, and has a child in the selected school, become a partner (volunteer) in the same school?

Ans. Yes, if the school principal has a need for the Action Item that can be provided by the individual volunteer.

Q5. Does the Adopt-A-School program require background check for partner employees?

Ans. Some of the Action Items will require background checks for your employees according to LA State Statute and JPS School Board Policy. The necessity of a background check will be discussed with you during your first meeting with the school principal.

Q6. If our employee has undergone a background check when hired, must the background check be redone?

Ans. No, if the employee allows the document be shared with JPS in lieu of another background check.

Q7. Who pays for a required background check?

Ans. The organization is requested to pay for all state or policy background checks for an employee if required for the chosen Action Item. However, once the check is done, there is no further requirement for employees as long as they remain employed in your organization.

Q8. How will an organization proceed with a necessary background check?



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Ans. The school principal will provide the procedure after a determination is made that a background check is necessary for the Action Item chosen.

Q9. How does an organization's staff member or volunteer become acclimated to the school?

Ans. The school principal will provide on-boarding.

Q10. Is there a minimum number of days or hours that the partner organization must provide for the school?

Ans. This will be determined in a conversation between the organization and the school principal.

Q11. Why did the application ask if you would allow an organization's logo to be used for display?

Ans. Our partners deserve recognition for the important work they do for JPS, and your logo would make you a highly recognized partner. You may, however, choose not to allow your logo to be used for this purpose, and the omission will not diminish our appreciation to you for being a valued stakeholder.

Q12. Why does the application require the organization's contact name and title or position, phone number, and mailing address?

Ans. Our partners have multiple employees or staff. JPS would like to have a designated contact person's information, understanding that this reduces interference in your daily operations. Having a contact person will decrease the chance of JPS providing information that requires unnecessary internal communication among your employees and staff.