



Ways to Recognize Your Volunteers

1. Give certificates to commemorate anniversaries of involvement.
2. Take photos of volunteers “on the job.” Imprint a thank you message and frame them for each volunteer.
3. Celebrate during formal recognition observances such as Florida School Volunteer Appreciation Month and National Volunteer Week.
4. Provide special parking spaces for outstanding volunteers.
5. Send articles about your volunteers to the local newspaper or feature them in your school or district newsletter.
6. Write letters to the family of volunteers. Let them know how much his or her work has benefitted the school and thank them for supporting the volunteer’s efforts.
7. Ask a person who has benefitted from the volunteer’s services to write a letter or to send a thank you card to the volunteer.
8. Nominate exemplary volunteers for community awards. Visit www.fldoe.org for a list of volunteer and recognition awards offered through the Florida Department of Education.
9. Host an annual volunteer awards ceremony and provide breakfast, lunch or dinner.
10. Feature your volunteers at special events throughout the year.
11. Nominate a volunteer of the month. Display his or her picture in the main office and send it to the local newspaper.
12. Arrange a special recognition of volunteers with your local government representatives. Volunteers could receive a letter and/or an award from them personally.