

BADGER VOLUNTEERS™



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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS - FAQs

This semester of Badger Volunteers will be the most unique yet given the context of the pandemic and the intentional ways we wanted the opportunities to reflect needs and opportunities expressed by community partner organizations. Please review the program details and Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) below to ensure you understand program structure and changes this year **BEFORE** signing up for a volunteer opportunity.

“WHEN IS REGISTRATION?”

Registration opens for returning Badger Volunteers on September 3 and for all students on September 4. New students can access the SignUp Genius link from the Badger Volunteers [website](#) beginning September 4. Registration closes on September 10.

“IS THERE AN ORIENTATION? WHEN IS IT?”

Yes! The Badger Volunteers Executive Board will host a variety of times for attending orientation. More information will be sent out when we confirm your registration. You will be able to register for the orientation session, hosted over Zoom between September 14 and September 18, that fits your schedule.

“WHEN DO I START VOLUNTEERING? WHEN DOES VOLUNTEERING END FOR THE SEMESTER?”

Volunteers will begin at their sites the week of September 21. Badger Volunteers ends for the semester on December 4. Volunteers, once registered, will be connected with the community partner supervising them during the fall semester to coordinate their specific volunteer schedule.

“WHERE ARE THE SPECIFIC TIMES FOR EACH OPPORTUNITY? I LIKE TO PLAN AROUND MY SCHOOL AND WORK SCHEDULES.”

Great question! Bolded within the volunteer position descriptions below are the time frames during which students can volunteer. Most allow for flexibility within a certain timeframe, like 8:30am to 4pm for the Schools of Hope tutor opportunities. Others, like the Girl Scouts mentor opportunities, require availability at 11am and 2pm and support different groups of Girl Scouts depending on the day of the week you're available to volunteer.

“I LOVE WORKING OUTSIDE AND WANTED A SUSTAINABILITY-FOCUSED OPPORTUNITY. WHAT CAN I DO THIS SEMESTER?”

Friends of Lake Wingra has some great opportunities that allow students with an interest in sustainability to continue to cultivate and explore sustainability within a community organization.

“I THOUGHT ALL OF THE OPPORTUNITIES WERE VIRTUAL THIS YEAR BUT I SEE A COUPLE IN-PERSON ONES LISTED. WHY ARE THOSE OKAY?”

While we are virtual/remote for the fall 2020 semester, there are a couple opportunities with Friends of Lake Wingra that are not at or not solely at a computer. These opportunities were approved because they allow for social distancing, do not require working in a building with others, or otherwise going to an organization. Students who sign up for the opportunities are responsible for their own transportation.

EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

GIRL SCOUTS OF WISCONSIN BADGERLAND

DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION

The Girl Scouts is a preeminent leadership development organization for girls. We offer every girl a chance to practice a lifetime of leadership, adventure, and success. Our mission at the Girl Scouts of Wisconsin - Badgerland is to build girls of courage, confidence, character and compassion who make the world a better place.

SUBJECT MATTER MENTOR NETWORK: WORKSHOP LEADER (6 SPOTS)

The Subject Matter Mentors Network is the Girl Scouts of Wisconsin - Badgerland's speakers bureau! Mentors share their time and expertise with Girl Scouts to help them learn and develop skills as they work towards badges, projects and community service. We are looking for mentors with skills, interests or passions (or a natural curiosity!) in the following topics:

- Entrepreneurship & Financial Literacy
- Outdoors & Environmental Stewardship
- Life Skills & Civic Engagement
- STEM/STEAM

Volunteers will present live on Zoom one time per week to Girl Scouts. Virtual programs last 45-60 minutes, dependent on the audience. Prep prior to the virtual program will vary. Virtual programs consist of demos, presentations and activities. Months are also themed, and a council staff member will assist with developing a curriculum and agenda as needed.

There are six levels in Girl Scouts, and volunteers would be assigned to one level for the semester. **Each level has a dedicated day with alternating morning (11am) and afternoon (2pm) times.** We may adjust slightly as needed.

Daisies (K-Gr 1): Mondays

Brownies (Gr 2-3): Tuesdays

Juniors (Gr 4-5): Wednesdays

Cadettes (Gr 6-8): Thursdays

Seniors (Gr 9-10): Fridays

Ambassadors (Gr 11-12): Saturdays

This opportunity is a professional development opportunity for students in terms of presentation prep, virtual public speaking and engaging an audience.

But even more awesome is that it provides students a chance to be a "leader behind the leaders" - to be part of the Girl Scouts' journey to continue developing confidence, courage, character and, most importantly, compassion for their communities.

HAMILTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION

Welcome to Velma Hamilton Middle School home of the Soaring Hawks! Velma Hamilton is a diverse community serving the west side of Madison. Our school community values educational excellence, equity and character development. The Hamilton staff is committed to building a strong sense of community, is a Wisconsin Positive Behavior Support school of Distinction for 2013-14 and is committed to creating a place where each student feels a sense of belonging.

ONLINE TUTORING FOR STUDENTS (7 SPOTS)

Tutoring during the school day, working with small groups of students online between 8:30am and 3:30pm.

URBAN LEAGUE OF GREATER MADISON

DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION

The mission of the Urban League of Greater Madison is to ensure that African Americans and other community members are educated, employed and empowered to live well, advance professionally and contribute to the common good in the 21st Century.

We provide a variety of orientation and training opportunities. Tutors meet one-on-one or with small groups of students for at least 30 minutes each week. Tutoring takes place virtually Monday through Friday during the school day, about 8:30pm-4:00pm. Commit to making a difference and get involved today! Prior tutoring experience is not necessary.

SCHOOLS OF HOPE TUTOR - SHERMAN MIDDLE SCHOOL (12 SPOTS)

Are you passionate about working with school-aged youth from diverse backgrounds? Would you like to positively impact students in the Greater Madison community and empower them to succeed in school and life? Become a tutor through the Schools of Hope Middle School Program! The Schools of Hope Middle School Program relies on community volunteers to support students of color and those from low-income families in the areas of math and literacy to ensure all students are high school, college, and community ready. We need caring adult volunteers to serve as tutors for any subject at Sherman Middle School.

SCHOOLS OF HOPE TUTOR - SENNETT MIDDLE SCHOOL (12 SPOTS)

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SCHOOLS OF HOPE TUTOR - O'KEEFFE MIDDLE SCHOOL (12 SPOTS)

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SCHOOLS OF HOPE - TOKI MIDDLE SCHOOL (12 SPOTS)

Are you passionate about working with school-aged youth from diverse backgrounds? Would you like to positively impact students in the Greater Madison community and empower them to succeed in school and life? Become a tutor through the Schools of Hope Middle School Program! The Schools of Hope Middle School Program relies on community volunteers to support students of color and those from low-income families in the areas of math and literacy to ensure all students are high school, college, and community ready. We need caring adult volunteers to serve as tutors for any subject at Toki Middle School.

SCHOOLS OF HOPE - CHEROKEE MIDDLE SCHOOL (12 SPOTS)

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SCHOOLS OF HOPE TUTOR - WRIGHT MIDDLE SCHOOL (12 SPOTS)

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SCHOOLS OF HOPE TUTOR - BLACK HAWK MIDDLE SCHOOL (12 SPOTS)

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SCHOOLS OF HOPE MIDDLE SCHOOL - WHITEHORSE MIDDLE SCHOOL (12 SPOTS)

Are you passionate about working with school-aged youth from diverse backgrounds? Would you like to positively impact students in the Greater Madison community and empower them to succeed in school and life? Become a tutor through the Schools of Hope Middle School Program! The Schools of Hope Middle School Program relies on community volunteers to support students of color and those from low-income families in the areas of math and literacy to ensure all students are high school, college, and community ready. We need caring adult volunteers to serve as tutors for any subject at Whitehorse Middle School.

SCHOOLS OF HOPE TUTOR - JEFFERSON MIDDLE SCHOOL (12 SPOTS)

Are you passionate about working with school-aged youth from diverse backgrounds? Would you like to positively impact students in the Greater Madison community and empower them to succeed in school and life? Become a tutor through the Schools of Hope Middle School Program! The Schools of Hope Middle School Program relies on community volunteers to support students of color and those from low-income families in the areas of math and literacy to ensure all students are high school, college, and community ready. We need caring adult volunteers to serve as tutors for any subject at Jefferson Middle School.

SCHOOLS OF HOPE TUTOR - PATRICK MARSH MIDDLE SCHOOL (12 SPOTS)

Are you passionate about working with school-aged youth from diverse backgrounds? Would you like to positively impact students in the Greater Madison community and empower them to succeed in school and life? Become a tutor through the Schools of Hope Middle School Program! The Schools of Hope Middle School Program relies on community volunteers to support students of color and those from low-income families in the areas of math and literacy to ensure all students are high school, college, and community ready. We need caring adult volunteers to serve as tutors for any subject at Patrick Marsh Middle School.

SCHOOLS OF HOPE TUTOR - PRAIRIE VIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL (12 SPOTS)

Are you passionate about working with school-aged youth from diverse backgrounds? Would you like to positively impact students in the Greater Madison community and empower them to succeed in school and life? Become a tutor through the Schools of Hope Middle School Program! The Schools of Hope Middle School Program relies on community volunteers to support students of color and those from low-income families in the areas of math and literacy to ensure all students are high school, college, and community ready. We need caring adult volunteers to serve as tutors for any subject at Prairie View Middle School.

PUBLIC HEALTH OPPORTUNITIES

MADISON CATHOLIC CHARITIES ADULT DAY CENTER

DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION

Our adult day center supports older adults and any adults with medical concerns, in maintaining independence for living in their own homes and communities. We are the largest adult day center in Dane County and the only center in the county that offers a custom program for people with dementia, Alzheimer's, and other memory loss conditions. We provide a more affordable alternative to nursing homes and most in-home health care services.

VIRTUAL BINGO LEADER (2 SPOTS)

Lead a weekly round of phone bingo for our folks who cannot be at the day center. We have been doing it from 1-2pm on Wednesdays, but if students need more hours we can make it more than once a week.

CARD MAKER (2 SPOTS)

Using various free websites, students will create cards and messages to send to those who are not able to be at the day center. There is no time specifically and can be done on the students own time, but likely will require 2 hours a week.

WELLNESS CHECK VOLUNTEER (2 SPOTS)

We would like this student to assist us in calling folks who are unable to be at the day center due to COVID-19, and call to check up on how they are doing. Students can do this on their own time, but would likely be 2 hours a week commitment.

SUSTAINABILITY OPPORTUNITIES

FRIENDS OF LAKE WINGRA

DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION

We are a small volunteer-led non-profit group that commits our efforts to the vitality of the Wingra Watershed as a place of natural beauty and recreation. Friends of Lake Wingra formed in 1998 under the fiscal umbrella of Edgewood College in order to create a broader and more encompassing watershed management team for Lake Wingra. As of 2018 we are our own independent 501c3 non-profit! Our journey has resulted in innumerable partnerships and community connections, something we nurture as we try to meet the ever changing needs of our watershed community.

GRAPHIC DESIGNER (2 SPOTS)

We need help with creating professional yet fresh, fun, and engaging visual content. Volunteers (with experience or education in graphic design) would help us:

- Create graphics to communicate technical information to the general public
- Create fun social media trivia posts
- Design posters or other outreach material
- Potentially help with website graphics or new newsletter template

Time commitment is about 2 hr/wk. Day(s) are flexible.

WATERSHED VOLUNTEER (3 SPOTS)

If you are looking for experience in the nonprofit world (or just feel variety is the spice of life), this position will utilize volunteers for numerous projects including:

- Research platforms for volunteers to capture data for virtual citizen stormwater monitoring and develop a workflow for Friends of Lake Wingra to use
- Identify grants to help us pursue our projects
- Create proposals of different ways to virtually track leaf-free street pledges in the watershed. The idea is we could pilot a method out. The volunteer could help implement it if interested.
- Write blog posts about topics related to Lake Wingra

Time commitment is 2 hr / week. Day(s) is flexible. Volunteers are expected to use proper social distancing etiquette if completing any work in public, both for your safety and for others'. Transportation is not provided when working in public. Opportunity to collaborate with other volunteers on certain projects for this position as well.

SALT WISE VOLUNTEER (1 SPOT)

Help Friends of Lake Wingra advance WI Salt Wise education and outreach in the Wingra Watershed by assisting in some chloride reduction initiatives. This may include helping organize a neighborhood chloride awareness campaign, reaching out to businesses, and other fun opportunities to get creative! Time is about 1-2hr/wk and the day is flexible.

SUSTAINABILITY OPPORTUNITIES

PHOTOGRAPHER (2 SPOTS)

Show us the world of Wingra through your eye. The volunteer (with experience or education in photography and access to his/her own camera) can help with:

- Taking pictures of unique landmarks around the watershed
- Documenting the changing season at Lake Wingra.
- Pictures could be used in our communication materials and on social media.

Time commitment is 1 hr / week. Day is flexible. Volunteer is responsible for his or her own transportation to Lake Wingra and using proper social distancing etiquette in public.

STORMWATER SLEUTH (2 SPOTS)

This volunteer position is for those that like to get out and walk! Volunteer(s) would walk (individually and at your own time) through sections of Westmorland neighborhood to identify homes that rake leaves out of the street for positive recognition.

Time commitment is flexible 1-2 hrs/wk and day(s) are flexible. If volunteers are flexible with days, we especially like to check before an anticipated rainfall because leaves in the street leach phosphorus when water runs through them. Volunteers would need their own transportation to the Westmorland neighborhood.