

Supporting Schools Makes Communities Strong

Oklahomans can help their communities by volunteering at local schools. Schools need extra money, supplies, and help some times. Businesses, churches, parents, and community members can help with these things. Sometimes schools have events that parents can help with running the concession stand or taking money at the gate. Churches work with schools to provide for students things like coats, backpacks, and school supplies. It takes volunteers to run afterschool programs to give kids extra help with homework, a snack, and a safe place until parents get off work. Sports teams need help for meals and equipment. Anyone can step up and offer to make sack lunches, ice chest with drinks, or pay for team meals when they travel. Even if you don't have kids in school if you are retired and have time you could come read with students, help with tutoring, or help kids do science projects. People with businesses could come to the schools to talk about how to own a business or how to get started in a career. They may even offer to let kids do an afterschool internship to learn more. Education is important to a community and the students will be future leaders and employees and business owners. It takes everyone in the community to care. The teachers and school employees do so much, but there are so many ways to help a school. Helping students do their best makes communities strong.