



Teen Volunteer Application Requirements and Information

Thank you for your interest in volunteering at Akron Children's Hospital. Volunteer Services offers a summer program with opportunities for year-round volunteering for teens 16 years old through graduation. We enthusiastically welcome individuals of all backgrounds and abilities who can perform tasks independently with minimal supervision. Please note: volunteer placements are determined by program needs. Applicants must be in good general health, a non-smoker, and able to communicate well in English.

Commitment

- Volunteer weekly in a 3-4 hour shift (minimum 50 hours for the calendar year)
- Grade point average of 2.5 or higher

Process Checklist

- Complete and return the attached application.
- Complete and return statement of commitment.
- Complete and return authorization to consent to treatment of minor.
- Include a copy of most recent report card.
- Complete essay.
- Include a copy of your immunizations.
- Obtain two references from a counselor, teacher, clergy or professional.
- You will be scheduled for an interview.
- Complete an online orientation.

Applications and attachments can be returned the following ways:

Scan/e-mail: volunteers@akronchildrens.org
Fax: 330-543-8008
U.S. Mail: Volunteer Services
Akron Children's Hospital
One Perkins Square
Akron, OH 44308-6176

Further details will be provided at the interview; however, if you have any questions, feel free to contact Volunteer Services at 330-543-3665. Thank you for your interest in Akron Children's Hospital.

www.akronchildrens.org/volunteer



PERSONAL INFORMATION			
Today's Date			
First Name	Middle Initial	Last Name	
Home Street Address			
City	State	Zip	
Cell Phone	Home Phone		
E-mail (required)			
EMERGENCY INFORMATION			
Emergency Contact	Relationship		
Cell Phone	Home Phone	Work Phone	
EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION			
High School	Current Grade	Graduation Year	
SCHOOL LEADERSHIP			
Name of Activity (Student Council, Athletics, Officer, Band, NHS, etc.)	Position Held	Year Participated	
VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCES			
Name and Address of Organization <i>(Please list your two most recent organizations)</i>	Position Held	Date Range	

APPLICATION ESSAY

Type a 150-200 word essay describing how volunteering at Akron Children’s Hospital would impact your life. Successful essays will incorporate your motivation for volunteering as well as a desire to meet new people, give back to the community, and help the patients and their families.

VOLUNTEER ASSIGNMENTS

Indicate the day(s) of the week you are available to volunteer as well as the starting shift schedule you would prefer. If you are flexible in the days of the week and starting time, please place a check in any of the boxes based on your availability. This information will help us determine the position openings that may be of interest to you when you meet with the Volunteer Recruiter.

Volunteer Shift Start Times	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning (8-12, 9-1) Mid-Day (10-2)					
Afternoon (12-4) Evening (3-7)					

REFERENCES

Please provide two references – a teacher, counselor, or clergy. Family members will not be accepted.

Name	Phone	E-mail	Relationship

STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT

I hereby affirm that the information provided on this application is true and complete. I understand that any false or misleading representations or omissions may disqualify me from further consideration for volunteer service and may result in discharge even if discovered later.

I authorize Akron Children's Hospital to verify any information I have provided. I hereby authorize persons from any schools, companies, or organizations, to include my references, named in this application to provide information about me contained in their records, and I release all such persons from liability regarding the provision of or use of such information.

I understand there are certain training requirements that must be fulfilled, and performance standards that must be maintained to volunteer at Akron Children's Hospital.

Finally, as an Akron Children's Hospital volunteer, I will:

- Agree to volunteer for a minimum of 50 hours.
- Notify Volunteer Services any time I am unavailable to volunteer for my assignment.
- Decline to perform any task for which I feel I have not been adequately trained or which would put me or others at risk.
- Respect patient, family, and staff confidentiality, which I understand is both a patient right and the Hospital's legal responsibility. Users of electronic, verbal, or written information systems have the same obligation regarding confidentiality.
- Abide by the rules and regulations of Akron Children's Hospital and Volunteer Services.
- Maintain the customer service standards in my interactions with patients, families, and staff.
- Permit images of photos of me in my role as a volunteer to be used in public relations brochures or videos.

Volunteer Signature

Date

Volunteers under the age of 18 need the signature of a parent or guardian. As the parent or guardian of the above prospective minor volunteer, I support and recommend him/her in this opportunity. Also, I have read the statement of commitment and my teenager,

_____, born _____ has my permission to become a volunteer at Akron Children's Hospital.

I understand documentation of two MMR's, Varicella (Chickenpox), Tdap or Td (as indicated in the past 10 years), and completion of Hepatitis B series is necessary to volunteer.

Also, an initial Tuberculosis Skin Test as well as an annual flu vaccine are required for volunteering; therefore, I give permission for my child to have this test and vaccine completed at Akron Children's Hospital. I understand that there is no charge for this service.

Parent/Guardian Printed Name

Phone

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date



AUTHORIZATION TO CONSENT TO TREATMENT OF MINOR

(Complete if under 18 years of age)

I (We), _____ the parent(s)/legal guardian of

_____, a minor, do hereby authorize Akron Children's Hospital to consent to any diagnostic, medical, surgical treatment of hospital care which is determined necessary by a licensed physician on the medical staff of Akron Children's Hospital. This authorization is valid when such diagnostics, treatment or care is considered by the physician or surgeon to be reasonably necessary to preserve the life of, or prevent serious impairment to, the health of the teen volunteer and the minor's parent/legal guardian is not immediately available to consent to such treatment.

It is understood that this authorization is given in advance of any specific diagnosis, treatment or hospital care being required to provide specific consent to act in situations described above until such time as a parent or legal guardian is available to act on behalf of the teen.

This authorization will remain in effect until the minor's eighteenth birthday, unless revoked in writing and presented to the Volunteer Services Department of Akron Children's Hospital.

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature

Date

Minor's Date of Birth



Teen Volunteer Reference Form

Reference Permission:

I give my permission to release all information below regarding my teen.

Parent's Printed Name

Teen's Printed Name

Parent or Guardian Signature

Date

Instructions: This form should be completed by a **counselor, clergy, teacher or professional** you have known for at least one year. Upon completion, please have your reference mail, fax, or scan and e-mail this form to:

Mail: Volunteer Services
Akron Children's Hospital
One Perkins Square
Akron, Ohio 44308

Fax: 330-543-8008
E-mail: volunteers@akronchildrens.org

The above individual has applied with Akron Children's Hospital to serve as a teen volunteer and is providing you as their reference. Students accepted into this program should be punctual, reliable, and have a sincere interest in volunteering. Your assistance will be helpful in our evaluation process for volunteer placement. Any information you give will be held in strict confidence. **Please do not return this form to the student.**

Please check the appropriate box in each category:

Category	Excellent	Good	Adequate	Weak
Personal Appearance				
Character				
Maturity				
Emotional Stability				
Interpersonal Skills				
Attendance/Punctuality				
Motivation/Work Ethic				
Communication Skills				
Integrity				
Leadership Skills				

How long have you known the applicant? _____

Please provide a personal statement explaining your knowledge of the applicant and why you believe he or she would or would not be successful as a volunteer. Please feel free to use the back of this form for additional space.

Name of counselor/teacher/clergy/professional _____

Name of school/church/profession _____ Phone _____

Signature _____ Date ____/____/____