



Do You Ever Wonder . . .

- Who helped my kindergartner open his yogurt tube at lunchtime?
- Who was that guy, who helped my 1st grader struggling to tie her shoes?
- Who read with my third-grader at D.E.A.R. time?
- Who practiced multiplication flash flash cards with my fourth-grader?
- Who was the person helping direct students to the bus?
- Who was that guy playing kickball with my fifth-grader during recess?

Most likely, one of our SEATTLE HILL WATCH D.O.G.S.!



Seattle Hill fathers, grandfathers, uncles or other father figures...

**We CHALLENGE YOU to volunteer
ONE DAY with our
MIGHTY MOUNTAINEERS
during the 2014-15 school year!**

Get Involved and be a HERO for a day!



Please see inside for program goals, gear, benefits, and 2014-15 registration process.



What Is Watch D.O.G.S.?

WATCH D.O.G.S. (Dads Of Great Students) is the safe school initiative of the National Center for Fathering www.fathers.com which involves fathers and father figures to help create a more safe and secure learning environment in our nation's schools.

Their stated **objective** is to: *"Engage men, inspire children, reduce bullying and enhance the educational environment at your school."*



Program Benefits From National Director, Eric Snow.

- Schools gain an extra set of eyes and ears. The presence of a father or father-figure enhances a sense of security at the building for students and staff and helps create an environment conducive to learning.
- Students gain a positive male role model. Many students do not have a father-figure present in their home and benefit when a positive male role model is present.
- Fathers get a glimpse of their student's everyday world and learn about the increasingly complex challenges and decisions today's youth are facing. As a result, they can learn to relate better to their student and hopefully connect with them.
- Fathers gain a greater awareness of the positive impact they can have on their student's life in three critical areas including: academic performance, self esteem and social behavior.



Requirements/Registration

Any adult male figure in a child's life is welcome to join. In the past, we have had dads, uncles, grandpas, and family friends who are great role models! In order to sign up you will need:

1. A completed Snohomish School District Volunteer Packet/Background Check (every 2 years)
2. A completed WATCH D.O.G.S Registration Form (every year)

*Note: Both must be verified EACH school year, no exception.

Completed documentation should be turned in to the Seattle Hill Elementary Office as soon as possible for verification (preferably at least 1 week before your scheduled volunteer date).



WATCH D.O.G.S is one of the most popular school programs with our kids! Each year we have more and more participants. Please register and help Seattle Hill Watch D.O.G.S. program continue to succeed! Thank you for your interest.

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Watch D.O.G.S. Support Education and Safety!

These Men Will:

- Wear their Official Uniform T-shirt only at school while performing official WatchDOGS' duties.
- ENCOURAGE STUDENTS! (*with lots of smiles and high fives, etc.*)
- Help with traffic flow of vehicles and students at arrival and dismissal times
- Monitor hallways and entrances
- Monitor buildings - inside/outside. Report any issues to the front office.
- Assist and monitor lunch and recess *Eat lunch with your own student(s)!
- Read to students or work with small groups of students
- Work with students on flash cards, educational games, or technology support
- Actively and positively engage with students
- Support art and science with your presence, talents and extra hands!
- Deliver items to the classrooms
- Assist with tasks in the front office or around the school
- Assist teachers with putting up or taking down bulletin boards
- Help teachers with a variety of classroom tasks
- Be chaperone on fieldtrips
- Help students with test review
- Reinforce school policies of good conduct and sense of community
- Report any bullying, discipline issues or concerns to staff to address.
- Smile and be a hero for a day!



WATCH D.O.G.S. Should Not:

- Enter any student restroom (Please use the men's restroom in the main office)
- Be alone or unsupervised with students
- Espouse political or religious beliefs to students
- Discipline students
- Sell or give their official WATCH D.O.G.S. T-shirt or hat to someone who isn't an approved WATCH D.O.G.S. volunteer.
- Wear their Official WATCH D.O.G.S. Uniform T-shirt or hat anywhere except at school.
- Engage in any conduct that brings disrespect to himself or his student(s), the school and the WATCH D.O.G.S.® Program and other volunteering fathers.

Confidentiality School volunteers are expected to keep confidential any information about the school (pupils, teachers, parents, staff and principals) which might be granted while volunteering. *Should you have any concerns regarding a student's safety, immediately notify the school principal or staff member.



WATCH D.O.G.S. GEAR

If you are a WATCH D.O.G., we ask that you wear an identifiable vest on campus. We have one vest that rotates to all WATCH D.O.G.S. If you are a WATCH D.O.G. we encourage you to purchase a hat or shirt (both if possible) to help identify you as a WATCH D.O.G.

Go to www.seattlehillwatchdogs.weebly.com and link to the store, or go directly for gear information www.fathers.com.

Typical Daily WATCH D.O.G.S. Schedule

(times approximate and scheduling adjustable, each Dog Day is slightly different!)



8:20 Arrive to school, check in with front office- Get your DOG DAY SCHEDULE!

8:15 Greet Students in the parking lot near the buses

8:20 Picture of you with your child/student

8:30 Classroom: Reading with students

9:30 Classroom: Math with students

Recess

Walk around the school ~ Check the perimeter

11:00 Computer Lab

Lunch/Recess

1:00 Classroom: Science Lab or Art with students

Recess

2:30 Gym: PE

3:10 Parking Lot ~ Saying good-bye to kids and helping them get in cars/buses

3:15 Turn in walkie-talkie radio and name badge

Don't forget to complete online survey about your day!

1. Go www.fathers.com
2. Click on WATCH DOG icon
3. On Drop Down Menu, click on End of Day Survey
Our School Code: WA1042

Thank YOU!

