

VOLUNTEER – REQUEST FOR BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Volunteering with Southwest Allen County Schools involves contact with our student population. The following questions are designed to help Southwest Allen County Schools evaluate your suitability to work with these students. Having been convicted of a crime or answering “yes” to any of the following questions will not automatically bar you from consideration. However, the school corporation’s administrators will consider the nature of any conviction or alleged conduct resulting in a “yes” response; the date of the alleged conduct; your intervening conduct; and the relationship between the offense or alleged conduct and volunteering. **(If you answer yes to any of the following questions, please explain the circumstances on a separate sheet and attach it to this form.)**

- 1. Are you presently being investigated or under a procedure to consider your discharge for misconduct by your present employer or have you offered a resignation to your previous employer?
Yes _____ No _____
- 2. Have you ever been reprimanded, disciplined, discharged, or asked to resign from a prior position?
Yes _____ No _____
- 3. Have you ever resigned from a prior position without being asked, but under circumstances involving your employer’s investigation of your alleged sexual contact with another person, alleged mishandling funds or alleged criminal conduct?
Yes _____ No _____
- 4. Have you ever pleaded guilty or “no contest” (*nolo contendere*) to, or been convicted of any crime of moral turpitude? (Moral turpitude is an act of baseness, vileness, or depravity in the private and social duties which a person owes another member of society or society in general and which is contrary to the accepted rule of right and duty between persons, including, but not limited to, theft, attempted theft, murder, rape, swindling and indecency with a minor).
Yes _____ No _____
- 5. Have you (a) ever been convicted of a crime, other than a minor traffic offense; or (b) ever entered a plea of guilty or a plea of “no contest”(*nolo contendere*), or has any court ever deferred further proceedings without entering a finding of guilty and placed you on probation, for any crime other than a minor traffic offense?
Yes _____ No _____

AUTHORIZATION AND RELEASE

I authorize Southwest Allen County Schools to check my volunteer service history and work history and to perform a criminal history background investigation. I further authorize those persons, agencies, or entities that Southwest Allen County Schools contacts in connection with my application to volunteer to fully provide Southwest Allen County Schools any information on the matters set forth above. I expressly waive in connection with any request for, or provision of such information, any claims or causes of action, including without limitation, defamation, infliction of emotional distress, invasion of privacy, or interference with contractual relations that I might otherwise have against Southwest Allen County Schools, its officials, employees, or agents, or against any provider of such information. I have read this authorization and release of all claims and I expressly agree to the terms set out herein. Date: _____

Signature of Volunteer

Printed Name