

Volunteer Job Title: Vacation Bible School Volunteer

Reports To: Becca Bateman, Associate Pastor for Education and Family Ministries

**Time Commitment:** Vacation Bible School runs on an annual basis for one week during the month of July. Extent of involvement is up to the discretion of the volunteer.

**Purpose:** The aim of the Vacation Bible School volunteer is to nurture, protect, and educate children ages four through 6<sup>th</sup> grade during a week of fun, hands-on Bible lessons and faith-building activities.

Duties: The duties of Vacation Bible School volunteers vary by position.

- Advanced preparation volunteers (under the direction of DPC staff, assist with such tasks as decorating, materials preparation, and supplies acquisition)
- Art/science station leader or helper (budget for and order supplies with support of church staff; set up art/science station; coordinate with fellow art/science volunteers; lead or assist with daily art/science activities, while ensuring activities are fun, educational, and safe)
- Games station leader or helper (work with church staff to order/gather game supplies for planned activities; set up game area each day; coordinate with fellow games volunteers; communicate game rules; lead or assist with daily games, while ensuring games are fair, fun, and safe)
- **Storytelling station leader or helper** (determine supplies needed for each day's storytelling adventure; set up storytelling area; coordinate with fellow storytelling volunteers; create interactive storytelling experience for participating children)
- **Snack station leader or helper** (budget for, purchase, and organize food and paper products with the support of church staff; attend to the needs of children with food allergies, if applicable; set up snack preparation area; coordinate with fellow snack volunteers)
- **Mission station leader or helper** (budget for and order supplies with support of church staff; set up mission station each day; coordinate with fellow mission station volunteers; lead or assist with daily mission activities)
- **Crew leader or helper** (for <u>one</u> age group including preschool; kindergarten; 1st-2nd grade; 3rd-4th grade, 5th-6th grade shepherd, care for, keep safe, pray for, and connect with the children in their crew, leading them through each day of Vacation Bible School activities)

## **Requirements and Training:**

- All Vacation Bible School volunteers must go through Doylestown Presbyterian Church's Community Protection Program (CPP) certification process, including an application, background checks, and a brief training. CPP certification is valid for five years.
- Youth with CPP certification are welcome as volunteers.

## Be a bridge for Christ and a beacon of His love.

- We seek warm, supportive, and energetic volunteers with an understanding of the unique developmental and spiritual needs of young children.
- Volunteer training is provided shortly before the start of Vacation Bible School.

**To Volunteer:** To sign up as a volunteer for this role, <u>click here</u>. If you have questions or wish to learn more about this role, please contact Becca Bateman (Associate Pastor for Education and Family Ministries) at <u>beccab@dtownpc.org</u> or Chris Graham-Rawlings (Member Engagement Coordinator) at <u>chrisr@dtownpc.org</u>.