

Greetings GCC members!

The Friends of GCC has partnered with our neighbor, the John B. Kelly School, and one of the initiatives is to support the '21-'22 John B. Kelly Library Volunteers Program.

Kelly School is looking for volunteers high school age and above for their reading program. We are proud to report that GCC members have already signed on for this exciting project!

See below for information about the project and please reach out to Rhonda Anderson at [Rhondaesq99@msn.com](mailto:Rhondaesq99@msn.com) or Alison Schwartz at [alisonschwartz@comcast.net](mailto:alisonschwartz@comcast.net) to register.

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The Kelly School Reading Buddies program offers opportunities to volunteer Tuesday through Thursday mornings with children K-5<sup>th</sup> grade.

The students select books from the school's collection. If the volunteer team is comfortable (in light of Covid) they may choose to read an appropriate age story or from a chapter book. The volunteers encourage the teachers to suggest subject matters relevant to class work.

Other duties volunteers can assist with are helping students choose and find books in the collection; checking books in/out, shelving, and repairing books.

Opportunities are VERY flexible. Usually, a volunteer will commit to one morning a week. However, we have volunteers who choose different schedules or to be backups. The school only asks for a reasonable commitment and advance notice of absence if possible.

Some positions can be done on a "drop in" basis, at the volunteer's convenience- such as decorating, shelving, etc.

In addition to Library Time and Reading Buddies, A volunteer can help the cause by performing organizational work, seasonal decorating, bulletin boards, arts and crafts, grant writing, special events such as book drives, book giveaways and holidays, volunteer recruiting, community outreach etc.

***Please keep in mind that all volunteers must complete the Philly School District F.A.C.E. volunteer requirements.***