



# MNPS ADDENDUM

## for Volunteers

2023-2024  
Academic Year



METRO  
NASHVILLE  
PUBLIC  
SCHOOLS

Community partnerships are critical to the work we do at MNPS as we strive to provide an excellent education to every child, every day. We recognize as a school district, as a team of educators, that **we cannot do this work alone**. These relationships are more important than ever. **MNPS's partnership with United4Hope is critical.** Our vision for this partnership is to continue to be united so we can work **hand in hand in making the realities we have envisioned for our students come true.** Collectively, we can bring about a great change in our community to bring hope for our children.



*Adrienne Battle*  
Dr. Adrienne Battle  
MNPS Director of Schools

### MNPS VISION

Metro Nashville Public Schools will be established as the premier large school district in Tennessee and beyond by ensuring that every student is known.

### MNPS MISSION

We deliver a great public education to every student, every day.

**86,000+**  
students enrolled

MNPS STUDENTS SPEAK  
**135** different languages  
with nearly 1/3 of students speaking a language other than English at home

**162** district schools

MORE THAN  
**11,000** employees in the classroom, in the lunchroom,  
and on the buses

MAKING MNPS ONE OF THE LARGEST EMPLOYERS  
IN NASHVILLE AND TENNESSEE

# 2023-2024 United4Hope Calendar

July 27 – Annual Coordinator Convening,  
*Otter Creek West End, 6:00-7:30pm*

August 3 – Volunteer Orientation

August 10 – Coordinator Orientation

August 17 – Volunteer Orientation

September – December – The Gift of Giving

September 7 – Volunteer Orientation

September 14 – Coordinator Meetup

September 21 – Volunteer Orientation

October 5 - Coordinator Orientation

October 12 – Coordinator Meetup

October 17 – Volunteer Orientation

November 9 – Coordinator Meetup

November 16 – Volunteer Orientation

December 4-8 – Gift of Giving Drop Off at School (tentative)

January 25 – Coordinator Orientation

February 8 – Volunteer Orientation

February 23 – Coordinator Meetup

March 5 – Coordinator Orientation

April 11 – Volunteer Orientation

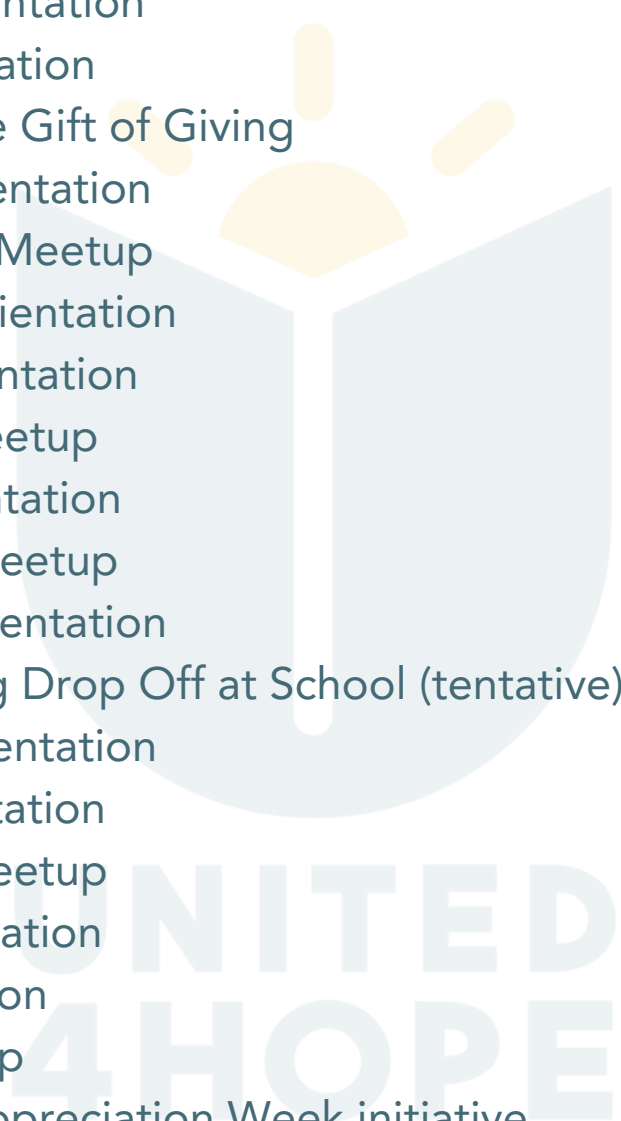
April 25 – Coordinator Meetup

April 29 – May 3 – Teacher Appreciation Week initiative

May 5 – Coordinator Orientation

May 30 – Year-End Partnership Celebration (tentative)

July 25 – Annual Coordinator Convening (tentative)



# Accelerating Scholars High-Impact Tutoring for Nashville Students

**MNPS** is a national leader in establishing an evidence-based high-impact tutoring program for students in the greatest need of accelerating outcomes.

Since Accelerating Scholars launched in the fall semester 2021, **MNPS** has provided high-impact tutoring to over **7,000 students with the help of over 2,000 tutors.**

Using a mix of volunteers for one-on-one virtual or in-person tutoring, along with qualified teaching staff for paid small group support, **the district has created opportunities** for high-quality academic interventions in reading and math.

*And we need your help.*

High-dosage tutoring is a transformative educational intervention tool proven to have **consistent, substantial positive effects** on both academic and social-emotional learning outcomes.

You can help change a child's life - and maybe your own - **by volunteering as an Accelerating Scholars tutor.**



[brightpath.goschoolbox.com/apply](https://brightpath.goschoolbox.com/apply)

# Accelerating Scholars High-Impact Tutoring for Nashville Students

## APPLY TO TUTOR TODAY

### TRAINING REQUIREMENTS AND TUTORING DETAILS

- Volunteers will be trained on content, how to structure a tutoring session, the web-based tutoring platform that tutors and students will use, and more.
- Volunteers will provide three, 30-minute-long, or two 45-minute long, one-on-one, virtual or in-person tutoring sessions every week for at least 12 weeks each semester. Session times will be matched to each volunteer's availability.
- Accelerating Scholars tutoring sessions can take place during the regular school day or during structured before or after-school programming. This will be a convenient and easy process, and your impact could make a lifetime of difference in the lives of Nashville's students.

### WHAT TUTORS AND STUDENTS CAN EXPECT

- A personalized and positive learning experience for students
- A boost in skills, confidence and academic outcomes for students who may need a little extra help and support
- A focus on 1st through 8th grade reading – as well as 4th through 9th grade math – with all instructional content reinforcing and amplifying classroom lessons and curriculum

# Rites of Passage

## Male Mentoring for Grades 4-8

MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN OUR SCHOOLS AND THE COMMUNITY  
BY BECOMING A TRAINED RITES OF PASSAGE FACILITATOR!

### About the program:

- 18-week program for 4th-10th grade male students
- The program services Tier 2 students
- Group sessions meet at least once a week, for 30 minutes to an hour

### Program focuses on three areas:

- To increase students' daily attendance
- To decrease behavior incidents
- To decrease suspensions and expulsions

### Data from 22-23 school year for Rites of Passage shows:

- Students who participated had 91% attendance rate
- Students who participated accounted for 6% of all school behavior incidents
- Students who participated accounted for 7% of all school Out of School Suspensions

### Becoming a facilitator:

Please help by encouraging a male member of your church to become a trained facilitator of the **Rites of Passage Program** and allow the journey to begin!

\*Curriculum founded by NCPL Founder, Dr. Jeffrey Johnson

For additional questions regarding facilitator trainings and mentoring,  
contact **Quincy Ingle** at [Quincy.Ingle@mnps.org](mailto:Quincy.Ingle@mnps.org).

# Church Coordinator Job Description

## Purpose:

As **Coordinator** you will be the designated point of contact and organizer for your church/school partnership.

## Responsibilities and duties:

- Attend a one-time Coordinator Orientation.
- Attend the Year-End Celebration in June.
- Attend the Coordinator Convening in July.
- Schedule a **United4Hope** staff check in each summer.
- Attend an initial meeting, facilitated by **United4Hope**, with the School Liaison to hear about the school's engagement opportunities and establish a partnership.
- Attend quarterly Partner Meetings at the school.
- Stay in touch with your school liaison through phone calls, texts, emails, or in-person meetings to hear about needs at the school and communicate your church's commitments.
- Serve as a mouthpiece to the church for the school partnership and the opportunities to serve.
- Recruit volunteers and help them get onboarded with **United4Hope** by attending orientation and submitting a background check.
- Assist volunteers in getting plugged in to an area of service at the school, taking into consideration their talents and passions.
- Follow up with volunteers for feedback and address areas for improvement with the School Liaison and/or **United4Hope** staff.
- Be a lead encourager for your school and your church's volunteers!



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# Church Coordinator Job Description

## Qualifications:

- Servant leader who enjoys connecting people to opportunities
- Vision driven person who can lead a charge
- Comfortable with events and trainings
- Process-oriented
- Engaged or very interested in community partnership and public schools
- Natural influencer/leader who attracts many generations
- Education experience is **NOT** necessary

## Commitment expected:

Commitments vary across churches, based on the capacities of the church and the expectations they set with the school. The average coordinator spends 10-15 hours a month. We simply ask for consistent engagement with the school.

## Training:

Each coordinator begins by completing an orientation with the **United4Hope** staff. Each quarter, there is a Continuing Education opportunity to meet with other coordinators, hear special guests talk about pertinent topics, and consider best practices.

The **United4Hope** staff is available throughout the school year for support, consultation, and to celebrate YOU!

# LOGGING VOLUNTEER HOURS



## WHY LOG VOLUNTEER HOURS?

It captures the breadth of impact of church/school partnerships.

The data authenticates United4Hope's efforts and provides evidence for our school districts to allow us to continue to serve.

It quantifies our impact for grant applications.

It allows church coordinators to stay up-to-date on volunteer engagement within their congregation.



# BACKGROUND CHECK

## HOW DOES THE BACKGROUND CHECK WORK?



1

Submit your background check here in 2 minutes or less: Background Checks - PENCIL ([pencilforschools.org](http://pencilforschools.org))

2

Check your email for a confirmation from Asurint and complete the authentication process.

3

Watch for a clearance email coming from Asurint. This typically takes 5-7 business days.

4

Once you have received the clearance email, forward to your church coordinator, so that he or she can get you plugged into service opportunities at the school!

## WHAT IF I DON'T RECEIVE THE CLEARANCE EMAIL?



If you haven't received the clearance after 10 business days, contact Meredith at [Meredith.Mcdermott@operationandrew.org](mailto:Meredith.Mcdermott@operationandrew.org)

or

Jenny at [Jenny.Runyon@operationandrew.org](mailto:Jenny.Runyon@operationandrew.org) for assistance.

# CHURCH RECRUITMENT

## **HELP US WITH CHURCH RECRUITMENT!**

Do you know a church that is looking to partner with a school?  
It's always the right time to hop on board with United4Hope.  
Contact us today!

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