



Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Foster Grandparent Program
List of JCPS Schools where Foster Grandparent Volunteers are serving
2020/2021*

Name of JCPS School Site	# of Foster Grandparent volunteers serving
Breckinridge/Franklin Elementary School	6
Brandeis Elementary	3
Cane Run Elementary School	9
Coleridge-Taylor Elementary School	4
DuValle Education Center	3
Engelhard Elementary	4
Foster Traditional Academy	5
Frayser Elementary School	4
Indian Trail Elementary School	3
King Elementary	2
Kennedy Montessori Elementary	4
Lincoln Performing Arts School	4
Mill Creek Elementary	4
Maupin Elementary	8
McFerran Early Childhood (JCPS)	11
Price Elementary School	3
George Unseld Early Learning Center	4
Rangeland Elementary School	2
Wheatley Elementary School	6
Whitney-Young Elementary School	7

Total Schools: 20

Total Volunteers: 96

***Please Note: Due to circumstances of COVID-19 number of volunteers serving in schools are subject to change.**



August 2020

Permissible Service Activities for Foster Grandparent Volunteers during this time of COVID_19 Pandemic. **The Service Activities listed below are presented as options and should not be considered as all-inclusive list.**

Teach English to a child for whom it is a second language.

Tutor/mentor student in-person or virtually.

Tutor/mentor student over the telephone or through a tutoring call-in line.

Support students in their efforts to complete special projects or the development of student packets for distance learning.

Read books with children virtually and engage with the students in discussion questions regarding the book. Could be done virtually, through stories being recorded by the volunteer or over the telephone.

Serve as a pen pal for both writing skills development and social support

Support admission and release activities each day to ensure safe practices for students.

Serve as school greeters to welcome and reassure parents/children throughout the school day and ensure safe learning environments as parents/children enter school buildings.

Telephone wellness check-ins with parents/ caregiver to determine what learning resources are needed to support students virtual learning needs.

Create science mystery boxes or take-home activities for students to explore.

Create video demonstrations of new skills skills students can explore at home. Videos could include but not limited to cooking, sewing or woodworking.

Support the preparation and/or delivery of meals to students.

Note: Foster Grandparent Program is prohibited from assigning volunteer activities that supplant hiring or displace paid staff.

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FOSTER GRANDPARENT VOLUNTEER SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Purpose

The Foster Grandparent Volunteer (FG's) provides support to children with special or exceptional needs in the Louisville Metro area elementary schools, childcare centers, early childhood programs, after school and summer programs. They create meaningful relationships with children one-on-one in order to affect positive change. FGP Volunteers tutor and mentor children to improve their grade level reading and school readiness development skills.

As a result of the service provided by dedicated Foster Grandparent Volunteers, children:

- Develop healthy behaviors and attitudes in educational settings.
- Improve their academic skills (literacy, writing, math, etc.)
- Demonstrate gains in school readiness (social/emotional development for Kindergarten)

Special/Exceptional Needs that would qualify student to work with a Foster Grandparent Volunteer

Abused/Neglected Adjudicated youth Developmentally Delayed Emotional/Social development Hearing Impaired	Health Impairment Literacy Needs Language/Communication Learning Disabled Physically Challenged Speech Impairment	Visual Impairment Child of Incarcerated Parent(s) Child in Foster Care Homelessness ESL At Risk Youth
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Volunteer Activities

All Foster Grandparents provide intergenerational exposure to children and offer encouragement and praise. Foster Grandparents also perform other activities depending on the needs of the children and the volunteer site. These activities may include:

MENTORING

- Modeling appropriate behaviors and skills
- Playing games
- Teaching manners and social skills
- Encouraging and praising

TUTORING

- Assisting with specific reading, math or other learning activities
- Reinforcing lessons taught by teachers
- Helping a child follow directions and accomplish work
- Clarifying or translating group instructions to individual students

Evaluation

Foster Grandparent Volunteers will be assigned at least 4 children to focus their attention on during the year. Together, the Foster Grandparent and classroom teacher, will complete forms to track the child's progress in identified focus areas (social skills, academic gains, or reading improvement) throughout the school year. This will help the volunteer measure the impact of their service.

School Visitors and Volunteers