

Strong Start©Volunteers 2016-2017



What is Strong Start©?

It is a program that supports students in gaining a stronger knowledge of letters, sounds and words. The program was invented and established in the Waterloo Region. To become qualified to be a Strong Start© Volunteer, you are required to attend 2 half day training sessions. The training provides very specific instructions to all volunteers about what to do in the program. This program serves students who are in SK or Gr. 1.

When do I volunteer?

Being a Strong Start© Volunteer involves working with 1 child for ½ hour per week for 10 weeks which requires your commitment as a volunteer. Typically a volunteer commits to working with students for about 1 hour per week.

What will I do?

You are required to follow the instructions of the program and provide information to the coordinator and staff about how the child is progressing through the program.

How do I sign up?

If you decide to become a volunteer, you are required to get a police check at your own expense from the Waterloo Regional Police at the Cambridge center near Maple Grove. The school will provide a letter for you to get a reduced rate for the police check. If you have a current police check, it is valid for 1 year and should be valid until June 30, 2017. Once you have a police check, please bring the original to the school and we take a copy of it and return the original.

Who will be the staff contact?

Mrs. Christine Cowan is the teacher in charge of this program at King Edward P.S. If you are interested, please complete the form and send it to school with your child, or send it directly to christine_cowan@wrdsb.on.ca

Strong Start©Volunteer Application

Volunteer Name: _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

- I have a valid Police Check until June 2017 and will allow the school to make a copy.
- I will get a Police Check and will require a letter from the school.

Send to christine_cowan@wrdsb.on.ca or drop off the form in the office.