## Get Involved in DPS and Make a Difference!

There's never been a **better time** for businesses, alumni, community members and everyone concerned with public education to partner with Detroit Public Schools. With a rigorous academic plan in place, new instructional strategies and a stronger curriculum in every classroom, major world-wide corporations and alumni of local schools are stepping forward to volunteer, contribute and pledge human resources, talent, technology and monetary gifts. Please see the range of ongoing programs for **contributing to DPS' efforts to create Centers of Excellence** at every school for every student in every neighborhood, as well as short term donations and fund-raising drives. On behalf of the 50,000 students we educate every day, thank you! **Opportunities include:** 



<u>Volunteer Reading Corps</u>: Volunteers are asked to tutor at least one hour a week in a school, working with a pre-kindergarten student. Volunteers will have to undergo a criminal background check and will be required to show a photo identification card, which will be provided by DPS, whenever they come to a school site. To learn more, visit: www.detroitk12.org/readingcorps.



<u>Business Corps</u>: Detroit Public Schools is creating robust partnerships between schools and area businesses to improve academic achievement in the district. Under the Detroit Public Schools Volunteer Business Corps, the district works in partnership with the business, faith-based and non-profit community on this program, which will provide tutoring, mentoring, school beautification and much more. For details, e-mail: <a href="mailto:businesscorps@detroitk12.org">businesscorps@detroitk12.org</a> or call (313) 870-3799 or visit <a href="www.detroitk12.org/businesscorps">www.detroitk12.org/businesscorps</a>.



<u>DPS Alumni Involvement</u>: Detroit Public Schools welcomes our alumni to stay involved, remain connected and give back to their schools. The Detroit Public Schools (DPS) Foundation, an independent non-profit educational foundation, has announced its new Alumni Giving and Development Program, giving all DPS alumni the opportunity to maintain their roots and advance the future of Detroit Public Schools' students. Please visit: <a href="mailto:dpsalumni.org">dpsalumni.org</a>.



<u>DPS Foundation</u>: The Detroit Public Schools Foundation is a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) Organization dedicated to supporting Detroit students. Its mission is to raise, manage and steward funds and other resources to support value-added programs and activities for the benefit of Detroit Public Schools and its students. For information on how to contribute, go to: <u>detroitpsfoundation.org</u>.



<u>Parent and Community Engagement</u>: Parent and Community Engagement 2.0 is an initiative to increase parent involvement through new school-based Parent Resource Centers, ongoing training camps that focus on parenting, workshops and more. Go to: <u>www.detroitk12.org/parents</u>.



<u>Citizens Patrol</u>: Detroit Public Schools' Citizens Patrol teams are part of a comprehensive multiagency program that has helped to spur a sharp reduction in incidents. Schools are seeking volunteers for new eyes-on patrols at several large high schools and at other locations. Highly active men's patrol groups have been watching routes and bus stops near Cody High School, where the Brothers on Patrol team has a presence, and Osborn High, where MADE Men patrol. The M.A.N.

Network also patrols around DPS schools and others. The district also has a group of volunteers called the Parent and Community Academy who monitor youth traveling to and from school, in school hall ways and lunch rooms, and around the school. To volunteer, call (313) 748-6008.