# **Direct Student Support**



RSS
\*Volunteers

\*Volunteers must attend training & complete a background check prior to volunteering.

Please visit RSSed.org for more information on becoming a volunteer.

- Mentorship Programs:
   Create mentorship programs
   to support students for
   academic & personal
   mentorship.
- After-School Tutoring:
   Provide spaces for academic assistance to students needing extra support.
- Weekend or Evening Study Halls: Offer spaces for students to work on homework or projects with access to resources such as Wi-Fi & quiet environments.
- School Supply Drives:
   Organize donations of backpacks, notebooks, & other school supplies (July & January).
- Food Pantries: Stock & maintain on-campus pantries for students in need.
- Summer Enrichment
   Programs: Host summer
   camps & workshops focused
   on academics, arts, & life
   skills to keep students
   engaged during school
   breaks.
- Scholarship Funds: Create or contribute to scholarships for graduating seniors pursuing higher education or vocational training.







# FAITH-BASED PARTNERS & PUBLIC EDUCATION







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## **Event Support**



- Career Days: Participate by showcasing diverse career paths & skills.
- Fundraising Events: Partner with schools to organize fairs, fun runs, & charity auctions.
- Family Nights: Co-host literacy, math, & science nights for families to engage with learning.

# **Extracurricular Opportunities**



- Guest Speakers: Share expertise in career fields, trades, & personal development topics.
- Clubs & Activities: Sponsor arts, music, & STEM clubs with funding for materials & experiences.
- Field Trips: Help fund transportation & entry fees for educational trips.

# **Campus Enhancements**



- Outdoor Learning Spaces: Help create & improve outdoor classrooms to support experiential learning & provide alternative teaching environments.
- Beautification Projects: Volunteer to maintain landscaping, paint murals, & clean up playgrounds.

### Health & Wellness



- Fitness Clubs: Run after-school sports & activity clubs to encourage physical wellness.
- Health Screenings: Partner with healthcare providers to offer vision, hearing, & dental checks.
- Mental Health Support: Fund or volunteer for programs that promote mental health awareness & services.

# **Teachers & Staff Support**



- Volunteer in Classrooms: Assist teachers by helping with activities or reading sessions.
- Teacher Appreciation: Provide teachers breakfast, & small gifts during appreciation weeks or staff meetings.
- Lunch Buddies Program: Volunteer\* to join students during lunch to provide companionship & positive role modeling, especially for those who may feel isolated.

# **Family Support**



- Clothing Closets: Provide new clothes for students, especially during winter or the back-to-school season.
- Parent Workshops: Host sessions on parenting strategies, financial literacy, & navigating school systems.
- Family Resource Centers: Create hubs for families to access services like job boards, financial advice, & community referrals.

# **Crisis Support**



- Emergency Meals: Organize meal deliveries or meal pick-up sites for students & families during economic hardships or emergencies.
- Grief Support: Partner with counselors to provide group sessions for students & families dealing with loss or trauma.
- Temporary Housing Assistance: Provide funding for short-term housing solutions for homeless families.

# **Partnership Building**



- Adopt-a-School Program: Form an ongoing partnership with individual schools to meet specific school needs.
- Resource Sharing: Allow schools to use faithbased organization facilities for events like celebrations & meetings.
- Community Forums: Co-host events that address broader community issues, such as housing, healthcare, & safety.