

# PARTNER FACT SHEET



## The Facts...

School-Community partnerships are **agreements** between a business, agency or organization and a school or district program to

work together on an on-going basis to benefit local educational efforts.

## Why become a Partner?

Partner involvement can provide many "extras" for schools which can no longer be funded through the ever-dwindling education budget. Successful schools are created through community-wide efforts and Partners have many opportunities to provide assistance to schools, individual students and district-wide programs.

## Who can become a Partner?

Whether large or small, public agency, organization, or private business, **everyone** has something to offer that will enhance education.

## When can I become a Partner?

Partnerships generally run for **one school year** (August through June) although partnership agreements may be initiated any time the decision to partner is reached.



## Where do you go to become a Partner?

If you already have a school or program in mind to partner with, you can go directly to that school or program office. Ask for the **Partner Coordinator** or the **Principal** at that site and you are on your way! If you need assistance in picking a partner project, just call the district School Volunteer Program Office and they will offer suggestions and get you started.

## What can I do, as a Partner?

- Donate used equipment or surplus materials.
- Provide display space for student art work.
- Assist with design and printing for school publications.
- Provide incentives for students who have improved their attendance, academics, behavior, attitude, citizenship, etc.
- Offer to serve on the School Advisory Council.
- Provide release time for employees to tutor, mentor or read to students.
- Offer services to a school which may be unique to your business or agency.
- Become a sponsor for academic competitions and county-wide special recognition programs.

## Got Questions?

Visit the Leon County Schools website at [www.leonschools.net](http://www.leonschools.net), go to the **Community tab** and click on the **Volunteer Program Services link** or call the Leon School Volunteer Program at **487-7800**.

