

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the L.T.A.C. community! We are small but with great potential to be mighty: we've got smart kids, involved parents and an administration that cares. Let's build on it.

We're looking for parent involvement! Here are three opportunities for you to become an integral part of L.T.A.C., through the L.T.A.C. Parent Group:

**Become a Division parent.** Just as every classroom needs room parents, we need division parents to step up and communicate news from the divisions to the parents.

The division parent's job is to foster communication between the teachers and the parents. This is a great way to get to know the teachers and the kids! Room parents help recruit chaperones for field trips, and help organize classroom parties and events. This is personal involvement with immediate rewards.

We're looking for three volunteers for each division—a total of 9 room parents.

**Chair or Join the Welcoming Committee.** The welcoming committee will help organize community building events for the LTAC community that's already here—a dance for the kids, a “Halloweenie Roast” for families, and perhaps “Mini”-International Days (a smaller version of the high school event) and/or a Holiday Sale for December.

In spring, the committee will host a barbecue or other event for prospective parents and students. In this way, you can be a major force in helping our community grow!

*NOTE:* If you speak more than one language. You can be particularly important to our diverse community!

**Chair or Join the Field Trip and Fundraising Committee.** Our kids are going places—literally. This year the Seventh graders will be taking day field trips to the Art Institute of Chicago, Field Museum, Chicago Shakespeare Theater, and Holocaust Museum. Additionally, as an end of the year event the seventh graders will be taking a field trip to Springfield, IL and the following year as eighth graders to Washington D.C.. Both end of the year field trips will require planning and fundraising.

This committee offers opportunities to evaluate trip vendors, plan fundraising events, write grants for afterschool programs, and make L.T.A.C. into the envy of the city.

**Volunteer.** Even if you are unable to be a division parent or committee member, we always appreciate parents who are able to volunteer their time, when available.

Whether you want to be involved occasionally or consistently, we need you!

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