

# Lakes Elementary

## Building our community with parent involvement



# Welcome to





# Purpose

WATCH D.O.G.S.® (Dads Of Great Students) is a family and community engagement educational initiative.

There are 2 primary goals of the WATCH D.O.G.S. program:

- 1. To provide positive male role models for the students, demonstrating by their presence that education is important.**
- 2. To provide extra sets of eyes and ears to enhance school security and reduce bullying.**

We believe that all of us want the same things for our kids and these values unite us. This program serves to bring communities closer together based on these values-based goals. Ultimately, our purpose is to change the country for the better by doing our small part to provide support to our educators and encouragement to our children.



# Program Benefits

## 1. Students gain positive male role models.

By taking time to come to campus and serve the students and teachers, fathers demonstrate that education is important. A male role model can positively impact a student's life in three critical areas: academic performance, self-esteem, & social behavior.

## 1. Schools gain an extra set of eyes and ears

The presence of a father or father figure provides an additional deterrent to bullying, enhance a sense of security in the building, and helps create an environment conducive to learning.

## 1. Fathers gain greater awareness of student's challenges

Fathers learn about the increasingly complex challenges and decisions today's youth are facing. As a result, they can learn to relate better to their student and hopefully connect with them.



## Who are WatchDOGS (Dads Of Great Students)?

WatchDOGS are fathers, grandfathers, uncles, and other father-figures who volunteer for at least one day each year at an official WATCH D.O.G.S.® school.

During the day, WatchDOGS may read and work on flash cards with students, play at recess, eat lunch with students, watch the school entrances and hallways, assist with traffic flow and any other assigned activities where they actively engage with not only their own students, but other students as well.

Many school principals have reported that the mere presence of a WatchDOG dramatically reduces reports of bullying. On the day of their participation, WatchDOGS are given a brief review of their involvement and they wear an official WATCH D.O.G.S. t-shirt with a disposable 'Dog Tag' identifying them as WatchDOGS.



# WATCH D.O.G.S.® on Campus



## Daily Orientation

Thank you for volunteering!



- Follow your personalized Daily Schedule
- Always wear your WD uniform t-shirt while you are on WD duty
- Stop by the office if you have any questions throughout the day
- Be approachable – smile, talk to the students, listen to them
- Be smart – follow the school's policy on appropriate conduct and behavior with the students and faculty
- Be alert – if a situation arises, please report it to a school official starting with the principal (if available, utilize Walkie Talkie)
- Be available – the goal is to be of service to the school, teacher and students
- Be a positive role model – as a WatchDOG volunteer, place a check next to each box you have read and agree to uphold:
  - ☐ Never use the student (boys' or girls') restrooms
  - ☐ Always use the faculty/staff restrooms.
  - ☐ Never be alone with students
  - ☐ Follow school's confidentiality policy in regard to students and staff.
  - ☐ Always be visible to others
  - ☐ Do not be disruptive when classes are in session
  - ☐ Do not use profanity
  - ☐ Do not use any form of tobacco on the school grounds
  - ☐ Do not share religious or political views
  - ☐ Limit personal use of cell phones and similar devices
  - ☐ Never engage in any conduct that brings disrespect to yourself or your student(s), the School and/or the WATCH D.O.G.S.® Program and other volunteering men.
  - ☐ Other School District Policies

(Signature of WatchDOG)

I have read and agree to adhere to these guidelines.

**DON'T FORGET!!**

Take the 'End of Day' Survey to provide your feedback.  
Ask other 'dads' to sign up for a day, too!



## ELEMENTARY Daily Schedule for



(Insert WatchDOG's name here)

7:15-7:30	Check-in at the office and receive your official WATCH D.O.G.S.® 'Dog Tag' nametag to place on your official WATCH D.O.G.S.® uniform T-shirt above the WATCH D.O.G.S.® logo.
7:30-8:00	Assist with student arrival in the bus and car areas.
8:00-8:15	Go to the office for orientation with the WATCH D.O.G.S.® School Representative. (An announcement will be made of your attendance at school.) Have a photo taken of you and your student(s) for the Wall of Fame.
8:15-9:00	Volunteer for _____ in room _____.
9:00-9:15	Patrol hallways, parking lot, buildings and perimeter.
9:15-10:00	Volunteer for _____ in room _____.
10:00-10:15	Patrol hallways, parking lot, buildings and perimeter.
10:15-11:00	Volunteer for _____ in room _____.
11:00- 1:00	Lunch and recess interaction – we encourage you to eat lunch with your own student(s) and visit with the other students during this time.
1:00-1:15	Patrol hallways, parking lot, buildings and perimeter.
1:15-2:00	Volunteer for _____ in room _____.
2:00-2:15	Patrol hallways, parking lot, buildings and perimeter.
2:15-2:40	Volunteer for _____ in room _____.
2:40-2:50	Go to the Computer Lab/Media Center to take the WATCH D.O.G.S.® 'End of Day' online survey. * Our unique school code is: _____
2:50-3:30	Assist with student dismissal.

Thanks for supporting (School Name) as a WatchDOG!!

# Where are other WATCH D.O.G.S. Schools?

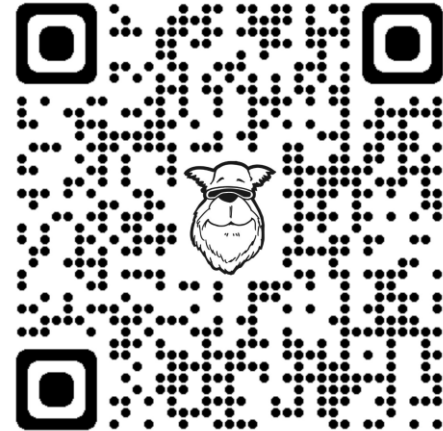


## It's on you now Dad...

Now that you know why your campus needs you, it's time to Line Up & Sign Up and commit to a day to serve your child's campus. Become a part of something bigger than any of us: pick a day on the calendar to be a HERO of the HALLWAYS®

### D.O.G.S To-Do List:

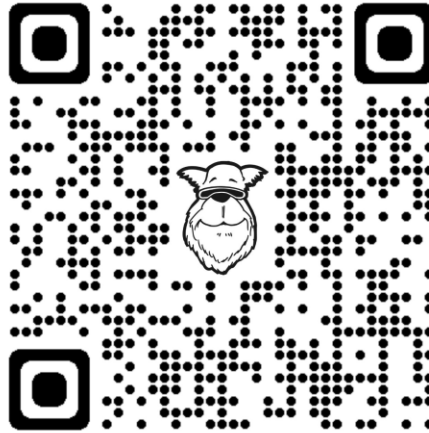
1. Sign Up to volunteer on our calendar
2. Complete the online "7 Steps to Success" video training
3. Order your uniform shirt (or purchase from Lakes for \$15...limited supply of L and XL available!)
4. Show up on your day(s) and enjoy building our community!





# Scan the QR code to order your official uniform!

Your purchases directly support this program and our efforts to improve outcomes for all students.  
Visit our store at [DADS.GS](https://DADS.GS) or by scanning this QR Code:



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