

Volunteer Recruitment Kit 2019

Dear Volunteers and Team Members,

Heart Math Tutoring ("Heart Tutoring") will need ~700 new volunteers for the 2019/20 school year! Please help find volunteers to work with elementary students in building math skills and confidence, using some of the methods below.

As a reminder, Heart Tutoring provides training, volunteer-friendly lesson plans, and on-site support to volunteers, as well as a partner tutor (or sign up with a friend). Volunteers commit 30 minutes or one hour per week at a location of their choice. Tutoring begins in September 2019.

List of Ways to Support Recruitment Efforts

- 1. Sign up to tutor next year at www.hearttutoring.org/become-a-volunteer/.
- 2. Talk about your experience with Heart Tutoring with others.
- 3. Recruit a friend, family member or colleague to tutor.
- Hang flyers at your place of work, place of worship, or civic meeting space. Email volunteer@hearttutoring.org for hard copies or download the flyer at the bottom of www.hearttutoring.org/become-a-volunteer/.
- 5. Send volunteer recruitment ideas (individuals, organizations) or funding ideas to Heart Tutoring staff at volunteer@hearttutoring.org.
- 6. Publicize Heart Tutoring among your businesses, faith communities, and networks (templates below).
- 7. Invite Heart Tutoring to make a 5 20 minute presentation to a group.
- 8. Attend Heart Tutoring's presentation pitches and share a personal testimony.
- 9. Follow and promote Heart Tutoring on Social Media. Use hashtags #YourAdditionMakesADifference and #VolunteerWithHeart
- 10. Add Heart Tutoring as a volunteer activity on your LinkedIn profile: Click "Edit Profile," "Add Section," and select "Volunteer Experience." When you type "Heart Math Tutoring," LinkedIn will find our Company Page.
- 11. Give out your Volunteer Tutor Card. Didn't get one at the Tutor Party? Email volunteer@hearttutoring.org and we will mail you some!
- 12. Share information from our website, like the latest Annual Report or the example tutoring game found here <u>www.hearttutoring.org/example-game-2/</u>.

See templates on the pages that follow.

Thank you for helping to ensure that all students build the strong foundation in math and enthusiasm for academics needed for long-term success!

With Gratitude, The Heart Tutoring Team

Friend/Colleague Email Template

Hi [Name],

I hope you are doing well! I am a volunteer with Heart Math Tutoring, a non-profit that recruits volunteers to serve as tutors for elementary school students in schools across Charlotte. We are currently recruiting volunteer tutors for the 2019/20 school year.

[Explain why you're emailing, if there's a reason, e.g. I know you have a passion for education, and this is a great way to make a big difference in a child's life with a small amount of time.]

Volunteers commit 1 hour or 30 minutes per week starting in late September (often before work or during lunch). Heart provides an easy-to-follow curriculum with hands-on activities and games, and a staff person is on-site to make sure things run smoothly. To date, 98% of students tutored have met program growth goals, and 98% of surveyed volunteers would recommend Heart to a friend.

[Give personal details about your own experience, e.g. I volunteer on Tuesdays from 7:45-8:45 at Allenbrook Elementary, and the process is very easy. I work with a 3rd grade boy who is precious!]

If you have 30 minutes or 1 hour to share once a week then I highly encourage you to choose your location and time at <u>www.hearttutoring.org/become-a-volunteer/</u> or reach out to <u>volunteer@hearttutoring.org</u> with any questions.

Many thanks, [Name]

Partner Organization Email Template

Hi [Name],

I hope you are well! I am a volunteer with Heart Math Tutoring, a non-profit that recruits and supports volunteers to serve as math tutors for elementary school students in schools across Charlotte. We are currently looking for volunteers for the 2019/20 school year.

[Explain why you're emailing, if there's a reason, e.g. I know your organization values volunteerism and community involvement, or I know your office is close to Piney Grove Elementary, etc.]

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I would be delighted to speak with someone further about how we might work with [your group] should this be of interest to [your employees/members, etc.]. Please reach out to me at [email address], or let me know if I can introduce you to someone on Heart Tutoring's team.

Best Regards, [Name]

Newsletter Blurb

Charlotte's high-poverty schools and students need the community's help. Many of Charlotte's elementary school students are performing below grade level in math, and volunteering with Heart Math Tutoring is a fun, effective way to make a difference in only 30 minutes or 1 hour per week. With the support of an on-site coordinator, volunteers use an easy-to-follow, proven curriculum featuring hands-on activities and games. Tutors work one-on-one with a student who is below grade level in elementary math. 98% of students tutored to date have met program growth goals, and 98% of surveyed volunteers would recommend Heart to others. Choose your location and time at www.hearttutoring.org/become-a-volunteer/.

Media Pitch Template

Hi [Name],

I hope you are well! I am a volunteer with Heart Math Tutoring, a non-profit that recruits and supports volunteers to serve as math tutors for elementary school students in schools across Charlotte. We are currently recruiting volunteer tutors for the 2018/19 school year to serve 1,100 Charlotte students.

[Explain why you're emailing, if there's a reason, e.g. I know that your show/magazine/blog has so much exposure, and I think this is something that your viewers/readers/subscribers would be interested in.]

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I would be delighted to speak with someone further about how we might collaborate to get the word out about Heart should this be of interest to [your viewers/readers/subscribers]. Please reach out to me at [email address], or contact Heart Tutoring at volunteer@hearttutoring.org.

Best Regards, [Name]

Download this document at www.hearttutoring.org/become-a-volunteer/