

## Volunteers & Partners: Making a Difference for APS!

April 2017

uring the month of April, Arlington Public Schools celebrated National Volunteer Month. This gave APS schools and programs an opportunity to honor our community volunteers, family volunteers and partnership volunteers who work with our students, administrators and APS programs across the district.

We actively encourage volunteerism in all of our schools. Currently over 900 registered volunteers assist APS to support our more than 26,000 students in Pre-K through Grade 12 at 37 schools. All of our volunteers and partners are essential to enriching our students' academic experience and we are thankful for the support they provide. During the month of April, APS highlighted across our social media platforms just some of the many great volunteers who work in different capacities with our students and programs. Take a look at our **Volunteers in Action** — they are making an amazing difference in the lives of children throughout APS every day!





BOSS soldiers come weekly and read with first graders at Randolph E.S.



Parent volunteer at Taylor E.S. teaches students about hydroponic gardens.



Dedicated Abingdon Book Buddies.



Volunteer, Angel Lopez, tutors students at Carlin Springs where he once attended.



A few of Ashlawn's Reading Eagle Volunteers.



Thank you Ms. Beaudry for 1,000 minutes of volunteering at Arlington Science Focus.

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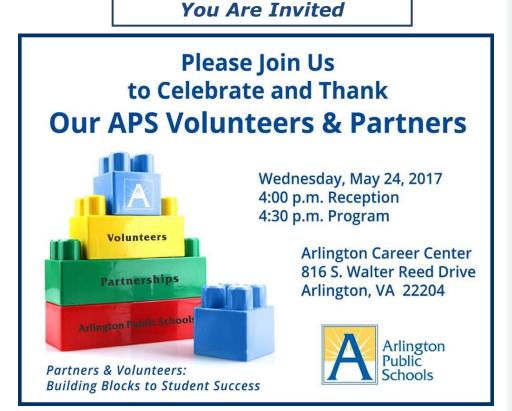
## APS Volunteers & Partners Newsletter

## Volunteer of the Month!

Our Volunteer of the Month highlights and celebrates the actions and commitment of volunteers who work hard to enrich our students' academic experiences.

After working for Arlington Public Schools for over 30 years, Bob Garcia has returned to volunteer. He runs a peer tutoring group that meets on Thursdays with HILT students, where they can get extra help with English reading and writing skills. Mr. Garcia provides snacks and drinks for the students and tirelessly dedicates his time to ensure that students at Washington-Lee achieve academic success. When he is not volunteering, he enjoys his retirement by spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren.

The staff and students at Washington-Lee are honored to have him as a volunteer.



To RSVP please contact Dawn Smith at 703—228-2581 or by email at dawn.smith@apsva.us



Former APS employee Bob Garcia now volunteers his time with the Latin American Student Association club.



To learn more about APS volunteer opportunities visit us at www.apsva.us/volunteers-partnerships

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