

# Get involved in your child's education - volunteer



## Your child's education

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Parents and caregivers who volunteer are a huge resource for a school, preschool or children's centre. Aboriginal people and people from diverse backgrounds have a lot to offer and are encouraged to be involved. There are many ways to help.

## Ways to get involved

Your help is always welcome and it's never too late to start. Some ways could be to:

- share your family's culture
- help students one-on-one and be a mentor
- be a sports coach
- help in the library
- go on camps and excursions
- listen to reading
- help at special events, like science and maths challenges or school musicals
- work in the kitchen garden.

You will have your own skills – let us know how you can best help.

## Benefits to you and your child

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Research shows that when parents and caregivers are more closely involved with their child's education there are direct benefits.

You can:

- be part of why your child succeeds with their education
- find out about what happens in your child's day
- feel valued by teachers and staff
- make friends and feel more connected.

It can mean your child is more likely to:

- learn better
- enjoy learning and feel motivated to do well
- have better relationships, improved behaviour and greater confidence
- graduate and go on with their education, including TAFE or university
- attend school regularly
- go on to be a lifelong volunteer.

## More reading

What can I do to help my child learn?

<https://www.education.sa.gov.au/supporting-students/parent-engagement-education>

Meaningful Living, Associate Professor  
Thomas Nielson, University of Canberra

[www.thomaswnielson.net/resources/meaningful-living/](http://www.thomaswnielson.net/resources/meaningful-living/)

✉ If you think you can help, talk to the staff at your local school, preschool or children's centre to find out more.

get in touch:

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