





2017-18 Parent Ambassador Application

Parent Ambassadors is a program of the MNPS Office of English Learners in collaboration with the Mayor's Office that pairs experienced Metro School parents with New American families who are new to Nashville schools. Parent Ambassadors provide families with information and guidance on navigating the school system. They also serve as advisors to Metro Schools, assisting school leaders on policies and practices that ease the transition into schools for new families and their students. Parent Ambassadors are paired with New American families who are from their same home country and/or speak the same language.

Parent Ambassadors receive ongoing free training from several departments within Metro Schools and community stakeholders, and they will begin working with New American families in September. **Applications are due Friday, May 19, 2017.**

Contact Information			
Name			
Street Address			
City, State, ZIP Code			
Home Phone	Cell Phone:		
E-Mail Address			
Additional Information			
Language(s) You Speak	☐ Spanish ☐ Arabic ☐ Kurdish ☐ Somali ☐ Burmese ☐ Vietnamese ☐ Nepali ☐ Swahili ☐ Other		
Home Country			
English Proficiency	☐ Beginner ☐ Intermediate ☐ Fluent		
Number of Years Children have been in MNPS			
Children enrolled in MNPS	1. School Grade 2. School Grade 3. School Grade 4. School Grade		
I have access to transportation	□ Yes □ No		
During which hours are you	available to assist new families?		
Weekday mornings	Weekend mornings		
Weekday afternoons	Weekend afternoons		
Weekday evenings	Weekend evenings		

Why would you make a good Parent Ambassador for Metro Schools?				

Agreement and Signature

As a potential candidate for the Parent Ambassador Program, I agree to the following:

- √ Serve as a volunteer Parent Ambassador for the 2017-18 school year
- ✓ Attend a yearly training or refresher about key MNPS departments on Saturday, July 15, 2017
- √ Assist a limited number of assigned new MNPS families navigate the system over the phone
- √ Attend monthly meetings (not fewer than six meetings in a year)
- √ Collaborate with school and/or district MNPS events, such as presenting at educators'
 conferences on parental engagement from a culturally-sensitive perspective
- √ I may be contacted via email, text message, telephone and/or mail and permit the use of pictures and/or video of me to be utilized on media outlets.

Name (printed)	
Signature	

Please return this application to Rubén De Peña via email, US Mail or FAX:

E-mail: ruben.depena@mnps.org

US Mail: Rubén E. De Peña, MNPS Office of English Learners, 615 Fessey Park Rd., Nashville, TN 37204

Fax: 615-214-8655

Important Dates

Applications Due	Friday, May 19, 2017
Ambassadors notified of selection	Friday, May 26, 2017
Parent Ambassador Annual Orientation and Training	July 15, 2017 — 9:00 am-4 :00 pm.