
Are you a “Cultural Expert”?

You are if you were born, raised, lived or experienced another country or culture (including religion). Our teachers and students need your expertise and knowledge!

Pope High School's PTSA Diversity & Inclusion Committee is looking for cultural experts just like you to create a Cultural Resource Cadre; a group of parents and caregivers who are willing to volunteer to help our teachers by providing valuable information and resources about their country or culture. Throughout the year, teachers may encounter lessons which relate to a particular country or culture. We want to provide our teachers with a resource that allows them to expand on those lessons with personal insights from someone who has experienced it. As a cultural expert, you might be asked to speak to a class about your culture, to share a story or folk tale from your country, to bring in an artifact or element of your culture's society to show, or to help with another aspect of the subject to help enhance the learning process for the class -- to help bring the learning to life!

- **How will the Cultural Resource Cadre work?** A list of the volunteers with their country/culture of expertise and contact information will be compiled and shared with the faculty. When a teacher has a need for extra input on a particular culture or country, they can refer to this list, and contact the appropriate individual. The teacher and Cultural Expert will then discuss the teacher's needs and determine the level of assistance the Cultural Expert can provide.
- **Please don't assume “Someone else will do it”.** While there may be others from your country or culture who will sign up, that doesn't mean they will be available when needed. If a teacher needs someone from your country, and no else on the list is available, we hope you can be there to assist.
- **How do I sign up?** The most expeditious way is to send an e-mail with your name, contact number(s) and e-mail address to one of the Committee Chairs listed below. Or, complete the form below and return it to Pope's front office.
- **Questions?** The Diversity & Inclusion Committee is always available for any questions or concerns you might have. Please don't hesitate to contact us via e-mail or phone.

You CAN make a difference in the learning process through your involvement! Thank you.

Cultural Resource Cadre Volunteer

Please include me in the Cultural Resource Cadre!

Name: _____

E-mail: _____

Phone Number(s): _____

I am a “Cultural Expert” for: _____

(Name of Country/Culture)

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