



Volunteer Fair

Dingeman Elementary

2025-2026

Family-Faculty Connection (FFC)



- Non-profit organization **run by volunteers:** parents, faculty/staff
- All parent & guardians of Dingeman students are automatically FFC members - no sign-ups or dues required!
- **Monthly general meetings to discuss our programs**, upcoming events, and hear school updates

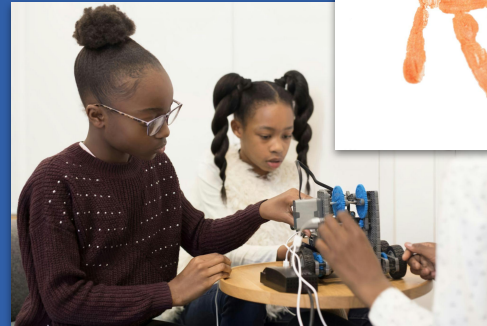
These wonderful programs can *only* happen
with YOUR help and involvement!

Our Purpose

Enhance the education, citizenship, health, safety, and welfare of our students by providing funding, resources, supplies, services, support, and enrichment opportunities.

Examples of what we provide:

- Field Trips
- Classroom STEAM and Art Lessons
- Educational Assemblies
- Classroom Supplies & Reading Subscriptions
- Family Science Night
- Family Art Nights
- Fun Family Events like Family Movie Night, Boo Bash and Spring Carnival



OVERVIEW

Our mission is to create a safe place where kids feel they can express themselves artistically.

CONTACT

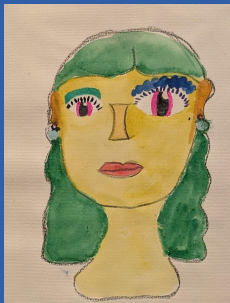
Art Director - Sandra Atkinson, (912) 344-6825

Supply Director - Nesra Senol, (858) 201-9881

Inventory Assistant - Daria Demidiva, (650) 417-8807

Webpage:

Dingeman.net > Enrichment > Tiger Art Academy



POSITIONS NEEDED

Tiger Art Show Committee - Help the last week of March 2025 with set-up, break down, and running the show.

Tiger Art Family Art Night Lead - Create a one-of-a kind art lesson that Dingeman families can take home with them.

Tiger Art Class Liaison - Scheduling monthly Art Lessons Oct-Mar.

Tiger Art Class Art Lesson Lead - Leads Art Lessons

Tiger Art Class Lesson Helper - Helps the lead prep, clean up, and helps class during the lesson.

We are always looking for helpers!

STEAM Committee

OVERVIEW

The STEAM Committee organizes and supports hands-on Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics activities that spark curiosity, creativity, and problem-solving in Dingeman students. Volunteers lead grade-level lessons, using Makerspace resources, devices, and challenges to inspire the next generation of innovators.

CONTACT

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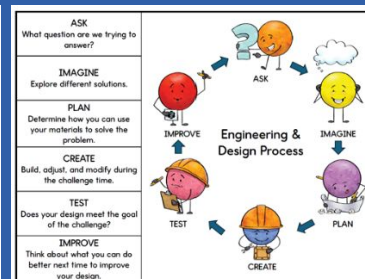
NOTE: We are updating the STEAM information for the year and it will be ready for release at the STEAM Orientation.

POSITIONS NEEDED

3D Printer Support- Helps parent volunteers and teachers successfully plan, set up, and complete 3D print projects by providing guidance, troubleshooting, and technical support.

Device Maintenance- Helps keep the Makerspace running smoothly by ensuring all devices are charged, updated, and in good working condition for student and classroom use.

Device Specialist- Supports parent volunteers by providing training and guidance on new devices, building their confidence and skills to integrate the technology into classroom STEAM lessons.



Cultural Committee



OVERVIEW

The Cultural Committee celebrates the beauty of diversity within our Dingeman community. Each month, we meet to plan and brainstorm how to highlight upcoming cultural events and holidays. Last year was a wonderful success, we came together to celebrate traditions from around the world, from food and music to art and stories. These events not only brought joy to our students but also created meaningful connections among families and a deeper appreciation for the cultures that make our school so special.

CONTACT

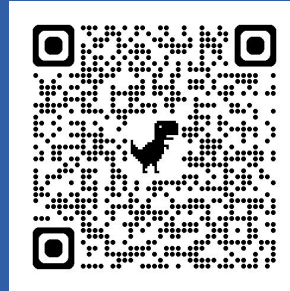
Chair - Rola Elkadi

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POSITIONS NEEDED

Event Coordinator – Help plan and organize monthly cultural events and activities.

Event Helpers – Support with setup, cleanup, or lending a hand during cultural celebrations



Scan to Add Your
Family's Cultural
Event(s) to our
Celebration List



Everyone A Reader (EAR)

OVERVIEW

Trained volunteers read with students 1:1 or in a small group to help students have extra practice with their reading skills and strategies.

Volunteers also help to organize the books and materials, as well as other parts of the program as needed.

CONTACT

Chair - Jessica Craig-Huynh
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POSITIONS NEEDED

Position 1 - Reading Volunteers for their child's classroom and/or for other classrooms. Training and support will be provided.

Position 2 - Volunteers to help organize books and materials, as well as to help with the organization of training materials and the end-of-the-year celebration for the students who read with reading volunteers.



Room Parent(s) - All Classes

OVERVIEW

Serve as a liaison between FFC, classroom families, and the teacher by sharing events and announcements. Coordinate Staff Appreciation Week (May 4-8) efforts in the classroom. Help recruit classroom volunteers as needed. Organize/assist with class celebrations, teacher birthday/holiday celebrations, as desired.

Be the link that connects teachers, families & fun.

CONTACT

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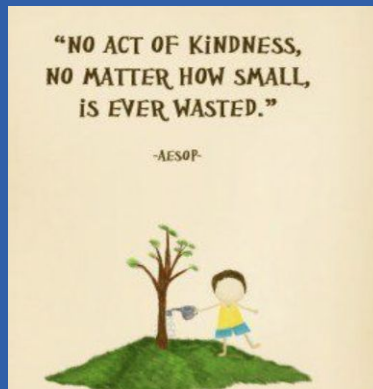
POSITIONS NEEDED (1 or 2 volunteers per class)

Room Parent -

Party Planner 🎉 + Messenger 📢 + Fun Officer ★ (all in one!)

★ **Superstar Parents Wanted Here:**

- Grade 2 - M Lee, C Daleo-Wong
- Grade 3 - D Wagner
- Grade 4/ 5 - A Harris, A Grobosky



OVERVIEW

Help gather memories for our children to look back at their years at Dingeman. We need individuals to gather and arrange photos for their class and photographers willing to cover special events.

CONTACT

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Dingeman.net > Fundraising > Yearbook



POSITIONS NEEDED

Event Photographers- Sign up to photograph some of our big events including the Tiger Trot, Boo bash and others throughout the year.

Group Photographer- Takes posed photos of some of the Dingeman Groups such as The Green Team, School Safety Patrol, etc.

Classroom Yearbook Collage Leaders- Collects photos from their class and uploads them into the yearbook's classroom collages

Fifth Grade Events Pages Coordinator- Responsible for coordinating and putting together all the pictures and collages for the fifth grade class's special events.

Family Science Night - 9/24/25



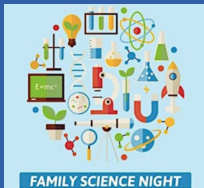
OVERVIEW

Excited about Science? We need you to guide our young friends and keep things running smoothly. Fleet Science Center will demo and provide materials needed. Previous years Themes include Amazing Space and Fantastic Physics. "Hands-On Learning, Out-of-This-World Fun!"

This year's theme: "Behind the Magic"
Experiment Begins: Sept 24, 6-7:30pm

CONTACT

Divya Prasath - DivyaPrasath12@gmail.com



POSITIONS NEEDED (15-20 volunteers)

Fleet Science Center will be present with all the experiments at 5:30pm to train/show volunteers how each science station will work. All the information and materials will be there for you!

Event Volunteers: We need 2 volunteers per table to run the event and help with clean up. There will be 10 stations run by volunteers.



Scan to Sign Up to Volunteer
(or [click this link](#))

5th Grade Committee

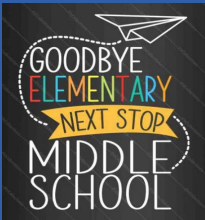


OVERVIEW

Our 5th graders are about to take their biggest step yet—heading off to middle school! The 5th Grade Committee makes sure they finish their elementary journey with memories to last a lifetime. From fundraising to planning the promotion ceremony and the big end-of-year party, this team works behind the scenes to celebrate our students in style. It's a chance to honor their hard work, cheer them on to their next adventure, and give them the send-off they deserve.

CONTACT

Chair - Cathryn McFearin
Cathryn.McFearin@Dingeman.net



***Sending our Tigers off to
middle school with a roar!***

UPCOMING DATES

8/28: 5th Grade Committee Meeting (B19, 8:30-9:30am)

11/03-11/07: Double Good 5th Grade Popcorn Fundraiser

12/06: eWaste Recycling Fundraiser
(Dingeman Elementary, 8am - 3pm)

5/22: 5th Grade Party

5/28: Last day of school & 5th Grade Promotion



Family Movie Night(s)

OVERVIEW

Dingeman families watch a movie under the stars at this free event that takes place on the grass field at Dingeman. Concessions are sold to raise money for the FFC.

CONTACT

Chair - N. Martinez

MovieNight@Dingeman.net



POSITIONS NEEDED

Planning Committee:

- Secure projector/equipment company
- Obtain permit from San Diego City to use the joint use field
- Determine movie to be shown
- Advertise (flyer, social media, email)
- Recruit volunteers for concession sales
- Purchase concessions
- Create concession signs

Same Day Committee:

- Prepare concessions (i.e. refrigerate drinks, make popcorn, etc.)
- Set-up for sale (i.e. set up tables, lighting, signs, lay out items to be sold on the tables, put drinks on ice, etc.)
- Pick up pizzas (if pizzas are sold)
- Sell items at the event and handle payment of sales
- Clean up (pack up unsold concessions, pick up trash, take collected trash to dumpsters, etc.)

Book Fair

OVERVIEW

The Book Fair is one of the most popular events of the year! Students will visit the fair with their classrooms and are invited to shop or preview and bring their parents to shop after school or at our big Family Night event. We keep 50% of all profits to purchase new books for the library and our classrooms.

CONTACT

Chairs - Morgan DaVersa & Kati Nyame
BookFair@Dingeman.net



POSITIONS NEEDED

Classroom visit helpers - These volunteers will be there during the week of book fair for a 2 hour shift to help students shop, and make wishlists as well as ring up sales on the register.

After school and Family night volunteers - These volunteers will help manage crowds as well as ring up sales on the register.

Set up and Tear Down - We will also need help setting up on Friday the week before, and tearing down the last day.

Sign up now: [Fall Book Fair Volunteer Time Slots](#)





Box Tops



OVERVIEW

Earn cash for Dingeman by scanning your grocery receipts with BoxTops for Education app. The app identifies eligible products and earnings are credited to Dingeman. Download today and make a difference with every grocery trip!

- **\$10 Sign-up bonus** (until 9/30/2025)
- **Earn \$5** When you connect your Walmart account
- **Free snacks** via rebate (through 11/3)

CONTACT

Coordinator - Mayumi Caalaman
BoxTops@Dingeman.net

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Dingeman.net > Fundraising > Box Tops

HOW TO SIGN UP

STEP 1:

Download the App <https://www.boxtops4education.com/>

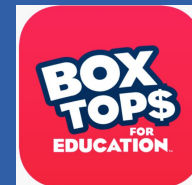
STEP 2:

Create Your Free Account
(Select **Dingeman FFC** as your chosen school)

✓ **Earn a \$10 sign-up bonus!**
(use referral code: **AJN90FPM**)

STEP 3:

Take a picture of ANY receipt with the Box Tops app



The app automatically credits \$\$\$ to Dingeman FFC's account!

Fall Boo Bash Festival & Spring Carnival



OVERVIEW

Our community's favorite traditions - Fall Boo Bash & Spring Carnival bring families, students, and staff together for unforgettable fun.

Boo Bash kicks off the holiday season with costumes, games, music, and plenty of festive spirit, while Spring Carnival closes out the year with a campus transformed into a lively fairground full of activities, food, and laughter. Together, these celebrations showcase the best of our school community: joy, connection, and lasting memories for all.

CONTACT

Claudine Ricanor - ClaudineRicanor@Dingeman.net



POSITIONS NEEDED

Lend a few minutes of your time that evening to help facilitate some of our activities throughout the evening.

We will be grateful for any and as much time you can spare that evening for set-up, trick-or-treating, activities, photography, and clean-up.

You **do NOT** need clearance to volunteer for this event.

Event Helpers - We need helpers for setup, tickets, games, prizes, event flow, and clean-up (plus ticket sales before Spring Carnival). Even a little of your time makes a big difference—sign up and help make these events amazing!

FALL BOO BASH SAVE THE DATE:

Oct 24, 5:30-8 pm

Costumes, Magic & Memories—Don't Miss It!

OVERVIEW

Tiger Trot is another annual FUNdraiser where our kids run and help raise money to help support our school in funding for extracurricular activities, enrichment programs, essential resources that are not covered by the district's regular school budget.

CONTACT

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Webpage:

Dingeman.net > Fundraising > Tiger Trot



POSITIONS NEEDED:

Planning Committee:

A group of people that come together to share or divvy tasks: finding sponsors, vendors (food/drinks/DJ), preparing materials/items for the event, marking fundraising goals met, discuss appropriate class/individual rewards, prepare flyers, update social media, hype this fun event up!

Same Day Committee:

- **Set-Up/Take Down** (4-6 people): Help mark the field with cones/flags, set up tents, and tables)
- **Registration Table** (2 people): Greet volunteers and direct them where to go
- **Lead Volunteer per Class** (1-2 people): Pin lap cards 20 min before call time, escort classroom to stretch area, on and off field, check tent that materials (sharpie x2, pompoms, noise makers, ziplock) are there, act as runner to and from registration if items or issues arise
- **Lap Trackers** (2-3 per class): mark a box per lap completed; count total laps per child at the end of their run
- **Cheer Squad** (infinity): cheer our kids on and show them some love!

OVERVIEW

Our board is the governing body for our organization! In essence, we run the business aspects of this nonprofit organization. The board is responsible for the planning, execution, and accounting of all FFC activities. Each board position can be occupied for a certain number of years and there are vacant positions each year!

Our Executive board member positions include:

- President
- Vice President
- VP of Fundraising (2)
- Secretary
- Deposits Secretary
- Treasurer
- Auditor
- Members at Large (4)

CONTACT

Katarina@Dingeman.net or
President@Dingeman.net

POSITIONS NEEDED

Secretary - Our secretary will be graduating from Dingeman this spring so if you are detail oriented and can take notes for our FFC board meetings

President - Our current president will be terming out of their position after a dedicated two year term. Work closely with our admin, teaching staff to bring your new ideas to Dingeman. Now is a great time to get involved and learn about the inner workings of the board while you shadow our current board members.

More FFC positions may be available including:

- Spirit Gear Chair
- Family Dinner Nights Coordinator and much, much more...

Go to Dingeman.net to review our bylaws and learn more about the FFC Board.

More Ways to Be Involved



**Volunteer throughout the year,
when it fits your schedule.**

FFC programs happen throughout the year - some programs are in-class, and others are school-wide and at various times of day. Find an opportunity that fits your schedule, and join us to help make these experiences successful!

Visit our tables and sign up today!

Contact us at Volunteering@Dingeman.net to learn more or to **sign up to volunteer.**

TWO EASY STEPS TO START

1

Fill out the Volunteer Sign-Up Form for Classroom and School-wide positions

2

Be cleared with the office to volunteer by submitting the SDUSD Volunteer Application for 2025-26 with the following:

- Copy of a clear TB test
- Copy of Driver License
- Drop off your completed application and supporting documents at the front office or email [Donna Rezanka at drezanka@sandi.net](mailto:drezanka@sandi.net)

RAISE YOUR HAND TO VOLUNTEER!



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