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Celebrating People in Action: Make April 2010 count for your school and district's volunteers and partners

As the last quarter of the school year approaches, it's a good time to thank volunteers and partners for their efforts in your district. The week of April 18-24 is national volunteer recognition week. According to the Points of Life Institute, the value of one volunteer hour is \$20.25. Let your school and district's volunteers and partners know how much their involvement means to your students, staff, families, and community.

Here are 7 free or inexpensive activities that you can adapt to your unique situation to make April a successful month for volunteer/partner recognition.

1. Recognize volunteers/partners at school, district, and Board of Education meetings.
2. Invite volunteers/partners to participate in classroom activities and school assemblies.
3. Thank volunteers/partners in school and district newsletters.
4. Recognize volunteers/partners at fine arts and athletic events.
5. Provide certificates for volunteers/partners to display in their workplaces.
6. Include volunteers/partners in school site councils and other community-related activities.
7. Participate in organizations that actively engage in volunteer/partner projects.

Do you have ideas and activities to share? Please send them on the Kansas Partners in Education list serve by entering the following e-mail address in the "TO" line of an e-mail message:

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