



Fall 2009

The Second Mile Friend Program

What is Friend?

The Friend Program is a recreational and educational program for elementary students ages 5-12. On the back of this page you will find our calendar of events. Your job as a College Friend will be to lead a small group of children through their day, keeping them safe, engaged and having fun. You are also acting as a role model for these youngsters, teaching them good manners and showing them how to interact with both other children and adults.

Who are the Children?

Most of the children involved with the Friend Program are referred to the program by their school counselors or teachers. Many who have been referred are identified as needing additional support. They could have come from changed families or difficult environments. Others may be struggling socially or academically and could use a positive influence in their lives stressing the value of education and social interaction.

What is the Commitment?

Although this is a volunteer opportunity, we ask that you make it to as many events as possible so that the children can see familiar faces week to week. We will have approximately 10 events, once every 2-3 weeks throughout the school year. If you are unable to make an event or two, this will not mean you cannot be involved, but please let your Friend coordinator know ahead of time.

What are the events like?

Most events will take place at the same location. We will have a theme for the day such as Kick off Picnic, Fall Harvest or Healthy Adventures. The children will have a chance to participate in the activities of the day. We will also have books and sports equipment available for free play time. We will always finish the day with a snack and then send them on their way!

Thanks for choosing to be a part of The Second Mile Friend Program!

TO REGISTER PLEASE COMPLETE THE FORM AND RETURN TO:

THE SECOND MILE
ATTN: VILLANOVA FRIEND
588 NORTH GULPH RD. SUITE B109
KING OF PRUSSIA, PA 19406

Sincerely,

Leigha Galgan
Director of Programs

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THE SECOND MILE FRIEND PROGRAM
2009-2010 COLLEGE FRIEND REGISTRATION FORM

_____	_____		
Full Name (Please Print)	Email Address		
_____	_____		
Present Address	Cell / Phone Number		

City, State, Zip Code			
_____	_____		
College	College Organization (if applicable)		
_____	_____		
Major	Date of Graduation	High School	Are you a past college friend? (Y/N)

_____	_____
Emergency Contact	Emergency Phone

I am interested in additional volunteer opportunities. Please contact me about:

1. ____ working as a (paid) summer camp counselor in The Second Mile's "Summer Challenge" Program.
2. ____ making "reminder" calls to Young Friends prior to each event.

RELEASE FORMS

Volunteer Commitment Statement

I, _____, will attend all of the large group activities that I possibly can to ensure continuity of service to the children served by THE SECOND MILE.

Signature

Date

Non-Abuse Disclosure Statement

I am signing this statement to affirm that I have never been prosecuted or held in suspicion of any form of child abuse. I am offering my signature to illustrate my understanding of some of the fears that exist regarding the abuse issue and to maintain the positive image of THE SECOND MILE as a quality care service provider.

Signature

Date

Media Release Statement

This consent statement authorizes THE SECOND MILE to use at its discretion pictures and news footage as they pertain to my involvement in THE SECOND MILE programs. The pictures will be used for public relations and promotional purposes.

Signature

Date