

Building Successful Partnerships

Typical partnerships include:

- Mentoring and tutorial programs
- Classroom presentations
- Assistance with instruction in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM)
- Opportunities for job shadowing experiences
- Volunteers who will serve as advisory committee members for special programs
- Tours of Coast Guard equipment and units
- Teacher workshops at a Coast Guard sector
- Leadership training for students
- Coordination of before and after school clubs



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For more information visit
the Coast Guard Community Relations page at
www.uscg.mil/community.

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United States Coast Guard members throughout the country volunteer in their local communities as partners in education. For nearly twenty years, the Coast Guard has supported programs at all levels of education. We help enhance educational opportunities for students while working to enforce traditional values, personal initiative, responsibility, individual self-worth, and scholarship. Coast Guard members serve communities, especially those with large, underserved populations, by committing to promote excellence in education through collaboration with local school systems, community groups, and businesses.

Coast Guard Partnership in Education volunteers work with educators to establish relationships that effectively support academic goals. Through this program, we strive to prepare students to become good citizens who will make significant contributions to the communities in which they live. This is not a one size fits all model; we listen to educators and develop our programs with students in mind.

For more information about the Coast Guard Partnership in Education program, contact your local CGPIE Coordinator.



In conjunction with the Coast Guard Partnership in Education Program, students are invited aboard cutters to experience real world applications of math and science.

Why Partners in Education?

- Partnerships are part of the solution to many challenges facing schools and communities
- Resources available to students and schools are enhanced by partnerships
- School/Coast Guard partnerships expose students to organizations and businesses operating in their local communities

When is the right time to form a partnership?

- When the school staff would like additional support or volunteers to help them meet their goals and objectives
- If you feel that your students would benefit from the many services that our volunteers can provide

Who Benefits?

- Students and parents
- Administrators, teachers, and support staff
- Coast Guard volunteers

What can you do to maintain a successful partnership?

- Identify actions needed to begin and sustain an effective partnership
- Establish procedures for administering, monitoring and evaluating the partnership
- Keep school staff, students, parents, and community members informed about the partnership and how it will improve the quality of education
- Focus all efforts on students' educational needs
- Foster an environment in which both your school and the Coast Guard enjoy mutual benefits as a result of working together

Coast Guard Education Resources

Crewmates & Classmates is an educational program designed for elementary and middle school students. Teachers receive a guidebook that provides maritime-related activities to enhance instruction in science, math, reading, writing, and history. To obtain a copy of the Crewmates and Classmates guidebook visit www.uscg.mil/community (Click on the Partnership in Education link at the bottom of the page).

The Coast Guard website offers many resources for teachers and students. Topics range from environmental education and lighthouses to profiles of well-known Coast Guard members. Information is presented in a colorful and entertaining format to encourage students to improve their reading and writing skills while learning about Coast Guard missions and people. Some helpful links are:

- www.uscg.mil/top/downloads/coloring.asp
- www.uscg.mil/history/MinoritiesIndex.asp
- www.uscg.mil/history/kidsindex.asp
- www.uscg.mil/history/WomenIndex.asp
- www.uscg.mil/history/people/BiographiesIndex.asp
- www.uscg.mil/history/faqs/vip.asp
- www.uscg.mil/history/faqs/celeb.asp

Coast Guard Education Outreach Programs

CG Bear, a small stuffed bear outfitted in a Coast Guard uniform, is a surrogate class member who travels aboard a cutter or around a unit. Coast Guard volunteers adopt a class and introduce students to their classmate, CG Bear. Students "communicate" with CG Bear via email to track his journeys and ask questions.

Sea Partners is the Coast Guard's marine environmental protection outreach and education program. Classroom activity books, coloring books featuring various sea life, DVDs, and a variety of other educational materials are available for use in the classroom. For more information about Sea Partners, visit <https://homeport.uscg.mil/seapartners>.