

# U.S. Coast Guard // PARTNERSHIP IN EDUCATION



## ABOUT PIE

The Coast Guard's Partnership in Education (PIE) program connects schools (elementary, middle, and high schools, as well as colleges) and Coast Guard personnel to enhance students' wellbeing, academic achievements, and career development.

Currently, hundreds of partner schools, thousands of Coast Guard PIE volunteers, and tens of thousands of students are involved in educational initiatives every day. These connections effectively support the educational institution's academic goals and enhance education opportunities for students.

No two partnerships are alike. PIE volunteers purposefully partner with their local schools to develop and tailor initiatives that meet student needs to help them achieve success.



## Partnership Opportunities

Coast Guard PIE opportunities and activities can take many forms. Some include:

- Mentoring and tutoring.
- Supporting instruction in science, technology, engineering, arts, and math (STEAM).
- Providing job shadowing opportunities.
- Hosting interactive field trips to local Coast Guard units.
- Helping coach youth sports.
- Offering leadership training.

## REASONS TO GET INVOLVED

Joining the Coast Guard as a partner in education benefits everyone! Students learn about civic responsibility, academic disciplines, and different career opportunities. Coast Guard members further serve as positive role models and mentors in communities where they live and work. And teachers, administrators, schools, and communities receive support in developing our nation's future civilian and military workforce and leaders.



## Benefits of Becoming a Partner School

Participating in the Coast Guard's PIE program as a partner school offers numerous benefits, including:

- Enhanced resources for students, teachers, parents, and schools through coat, clothing, supply, and technology drives.
- Increased student understanding of science applications and the wide range of occupational opportunities available to them.
- Strengthened school-Coast Guard collaborations that further prepare students to make significant contributions to the communities in which they live.

## HOW DO I GET INVOLVED?

Contact the PIE program manager via the number on the back of this brochure to arrange a meeting with the PIE coordinator at your local Coast Guard unit.





## THE DIFFERENCE

“We are grateful to have the United States Coast Guard as our partners. You help Larrimore Elementary strive to obtain the mission goals of Norfolk Public Schools. Your kindness and generosity are very much appreciated.”

**Anna Murray,**  
Family Engagement Specialist,  
Larrimore Elementary School

“The PIE program has benefited our Gibson Elementary students with additional adult role models in the classroom. Mentors work with teachers and students in the classroom on reading/math and with social emotional support during visits. Our students build strong positive relationships with the mentors and look forward to the interactions.”

**Julissa Sugovia, Principal,**  
Gibson Elementary School

“The PIE program has been such a wonderful asset to our school. We love partnering with the United States Coast Guard PIE program, and are so thankful for their willingness to help our students and families.”

**Taylor Cenate,**  
Parent Involvement Coordinator,  
North Jefferson Elementary School

## INTERESTED IN EDUCATIONAL LESSON PLANS?

PIE volunteers can provide lesson plans focused on the marine environment and the maritime industry. Lesson plans are associated with an annual student art contest, sponsored by the North American Marine Environment Protection Association (NAMEPA) and the Coast Guard. Ask about how you can get involved in the art contest!



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