

Alpine School District

"Home of the Sharks"



SARATOGA SHORES ELEMENTARY

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Dr. Vallen Thomas, PRINCIPAL

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Dear Parents,

A new state law, 53A-15-1503, passed this year that will impact Saratoga Shores volunteers. Basically, the law states that any volunteer who will be given significant unsupervised access to a student, i.e. Clear Creek, zoo field trip, etc., will now need to have a regional background check. This is a new and broader background/fingerprint check that must be completed at the district office **a minimum of 30 days prior to attending.**

The cost for this new background check is \$55.00, good for a lifetime, while the current background check is only good for one year. Generally, volunteers who assist with field trips will need the \$55.00 background check. Those who volunteer in the classroom under the direct supervision of the teacher are not required to have this background check.

We realize that this is a significant financial change, and currently there are no additional funds to offset this cost. For parents that already completed a background check this year, we will allow for you to finish out this school year, however, please plan accordingly going forward to have the district background check completed for next year. We appreciate the volunteer spirit that exists at Saratoga Shores and recognize those of you who donate time and money to the cause!

Sincerely,

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Dr. Thomas
Principal