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Dear NES Parents,

During the Back-to-School Orientations, I spoke about everyone getting actively involved in the education of your children. I highly encourage all of you to help us make a positive connection between home, school and community.

Volunteering can take two forms: Working directly with the classroom teacher and your child and other children, or carve out times where you can support our Continuous School Improvement (CSI) process. Think about this...in the end, the support of the CSI process will build a stronger academic, social, emotional, cultural learning environment for your children. The communication between home and school will also be stronger; lending itself to a common language to ensure continuity within our school community.

Today, I am personally requesting volunteers to get involved with the activities listed below. Please do so by checking the appropriate one(s) and return the second page of this letter to your child's teacher or the main office. Parents are needed to be an intricate part of school improvement process. Your support is needed not only in the spring when a visiting team conducts Naples Elementary School's accreditation review, but every day.

_____ Continuous School Improvement Leadership Team (C-SILT): Meets 2nd Thursdays of the month beginning at 2:45 in Rm. 106

_____ CSI Goal One: Reading Comprehension: Meets third Tuesdays beginning at 2:45 in school's cafeteria

_____ CSI Goal Two: Math Manipulatives: Meets third Tuesdays beginning at 2:45 in school's cafeteria

_____ Full Day CSI Professional Development (PD) for teachers and parents who commit to serving on one or more of the above committees or teams. This time is spent going to several different sessions learning about researched best practices and instruction to improve student learning.

Our first full-day PD will occur on next Friday, 14 September beginning at 0800. This is a great day for getting to know some of the great learning that occurs at our school on a daily basis.

_____ Interested in co-sponsoring a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) after school program. The plan is to have a teacher and a parent sponsor. The after-school program will be opened to other parents who have interest in any of the above areas. Dates and times are still to be determined. We are also looking for speakers/presenters for STEM events. Each grade will host a STEM night this year. We are looking to have an "over-the-top" STEM year for our school.

How awesome would it be to have your children seeing their parents and teachers collaborating and working together to plan events and activities that they will receive the benefits?

I hope that you will find time during your week to commit to at least one of the above committees or teams. If you do, please complete the section below and return to the main office or your child's teacher.

Name: _____ E-mail: _____

Phone #: Day: _____ Evening: _____

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call Mona Morgan or Tiffiney Weddle at 629-4037 or mon.morgan@eu.dodea.edu / tiffiney.weddle@eu.dodea.edu