



## Are you a “Cultural Expert”?

You are if you were born, raised, or even lived for a period of time in another country or culture...and our teachers and students need your expertise!!

The Diversity Committee is recruiting cultural experts just like you to create a Cultural Resource Group; a group of parents and caregivers who are willing to volunteer to help our teachers by providing information and resources about their country or culture. Throughout the year, teachers may encounter lessons which relate to a particular country or culture. We want to provide our teachers with a resource that allows them to expand on those lessons with personal insight from someone who has experienced it. As a cultural expert, you might be asked to speak to a class about your culture, to share a story or folk tale from your country, to bring in an artifact or element of your culture’s society to show, or whatever else the teacher thinks would help further the learning process for the class.

•**How will the Cultural Resource Group work?** A list of all the volunteers with their country/culture of expertise and contact information will be compiled and shared with the faculty. When a teacher has a need for extra input on a particular culture or country, they can refer to the list, find a Cultural Expert from that culture or country, and contact them. The teacher and Cultural Expert will discuss the teacher’s needs and what help the Cultural Expert can provide.

•**Please don’t think “Someone else will do it”** While there may be others from your country or culture who will sign up, we can’t have enough volunteers! If a teacher needs someone from your country, and no one else on the list is available, we need you to be there for that teacher!

•**How do I sign up?** Just sign the form below, provide a phone number and email address where you can easily be reached, and return the form to your child’s teacher.

•**Questions or concerns?** The Diversity Committee is always available for any questions or concerns you might have. Please don’t hesitate to contact us via email or phone.

Thanks so much for your help!

PTA Diversity Committee  
(Insert Diversity Chair contact information)

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Please include me in the Cultural Resource Group!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

I am a “Cultural Expert” for \_\_\_\_\_  
(name of country/culture)