



2026

# SUMMER JUNIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Medical Center





# Who We Are

**One Amazing Team. One Amazing Purpose.**

The Texas Children's Summer Junior Program is a prestigious and highly sought-after initiative designed for high school students ages 15 to 17. This program offers students the invaluable opportunity to volunteer at one of the nation's leading pediatric hospitals, renowned for its quality of care and commitment to the HEART values of Humility, Excellence, Accountability, Respect, and Trust.

Through this immersive experience, Junior volunteers develop essential skills, deepen their understanding of the healthcare field, and contribute positively to the hospital community. Guided by the HEART values, the program fosters compassion, responsibility, and professionalism, making it a unique and rewarding summer experience.

# Testimonials



HORIA S.

You will 100% be broken out of your shell and make great friends with great people. I promise that even if it seems like a big commitment and a lot of work, you will not regret it.



ANNA M.

It's a unique and incredibly valuable experience. It gave me the chance to help, explore many aspects of the hospital, and feel like I'm making a difference.



TRENT D.

This experience didn't just teach me about healthcare; it taught me about heart, resilience, and the kind of person I want to be in the future.

# Program Details

## Program Dates:

**Friday, June 5, 2026 - Thursday, July 16, 2026**

- The Summer Junior schedule is Monday - Thursday from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
- Junior volunteers will have four assignments and work two 3-hour shifts per day with a 1-hour lunch break.
- Weekend/evening and make-up shifts and NOT available.
- Junior volunteers are allowed up to 4 shift absences (2 full days). Exceeding absences could lead to dismissal from the program.

## PROGRAM GUIDELINES

Junior applicants must be at least 15 years of age by June 1, 2026.

Junior applicants must be enrolled in high school for the 2026-27 school year.

Junior volunteers are required to attend the mandatory in-person orientation and training on **Friday, June 5, 2026**.

All junior participants are expected to commit to participating in the entire summer program.

## SAMPLE SCHEDULE

### Monday/Wednesday

9 am-12 pm: Outpatient Clinic  
1 pm-4 pm: Sno-cone cart

### Tuesday/Thursday

9 am - 12 pm: Guest Services  
1 pm - 4 pm: Patient Transport

**Lunch hour 12 pm - 1 pm**

# Application Process

Volunteers play a vital role in advancing the mission of Texas Children's by supporting patients and families with compassion and purpose. Guided by our HEART values, volunteers are expected to approach their service with professionalism, empathy, and commitment. Prospective volunteers are strongly encouraged to thoughtfully consider the time commitment and level of dedication required to ensure a meaningful and positive experience for the patients and families we serve.

To be considered for our #OneAmazingTeam of junior volunteers, applicants must:

1. Complete the online application

2. Submit two recommendation forms from two separate references.

3. Submit a **one-minute** video answering the following questions:

- Which HEART value best represents a strength you bring as a volunteer, and which value do you hope to strengthen through this program?
- What would you like us to know about you that shows why you would be a strong fit for the Summer Junior Volunteer Program?

The Summer Junior Program application will open on Friday, February 6, at 5 p.m. and close on Friday, February 13, at 5 p.m.

Application, recommendation forms, and video **must** be received by Friday, February 13, at 5:00 p.m. CST to be considered for the program.

# Video Submission Guidelines

As part of the Summer Junior application, all applicants must submit a 1-minute video answering the questions listed on this packet.

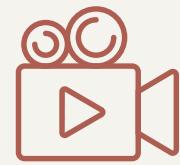
Before submitting your video, consider the following tips:

01



Record in a quiet location.  
Avoid loud background  
noise.

02



Refrain from filming  
against a wall. Give  
yourself plenty of space  
from the background.

03



Lighting. Ensure you record  
in a well-lit location

04



Upload your video as a .mov or  
.mp4 file, or submit a link via  
YouTube or Vimeo.

Videos submitted through  
other platforms cannot be  
viewed, and your application  
will not be considered.

Submit your video to [juniorvolunteer@texaschildrens.org](mailto:juniorvolunteer@texaschildrens.org)



# Health Requirements

If you are accepted into the program, Junior volunteers must also submit proof of the following immunization records:

- MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella)
- Varicella (Chicken Pox)
- TDAP (Pertussis)
- PPD (Tuberculosis Test)



Thank you for your interest in joining Texas Children's #OneAmazingTeam. For more information, please contact the Volunteer Services office.

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