



Calling all DADS Calling all DADS



Come and be a WATCH D.O.G.S at Williams Elementary

WATCH D.O.G.S. is a national innovative program focusing on the prevention of violence in our children's schools by using the positive influence of fathers and father-figures for a two-fold purpose: (1) to provide an unobtrusive fathering presence in schools, and (2) to be a positive and active role-model for students at their school.

Program benefits

The benefits of the program are many, according to WATCH D.O.G.S. Founder Jim Moore.

- Schools gain an extra set of eyes and ears. The presence of a father or father-figure enhances a sense of security at the building for students and staff and helps create an environment conducive to learning.
- Students gain a positive male role model. Many students do not have a father-figure present in their home and these students benefit when a positive male role model is present.
- Fathers get a glimpse of their child's everyday world and learn about the increasingly complex challenges and decisions today's youth are facing. As a result, they can learn to relate better to their child and hopefully connect with them.
- Fathers gain a greater awareness of the positive impact they can have on their child's life in three critical areas including: academic performance, self esteem, social behavior.

Who are WatchDOGS (Dads Of Great Students)?

WatchDOGS are fathers, grandfathers, uncles, and other father-figures who volunteer for at least one day each year at an official WATCH D.O.G.S. school. During the day, WatchDOGS may read and work on flash cards with kids, play at recess, eat lunch with their child, watch the school entrances and hallways, assist with traffic flow, mentor students, and any other assigned activities where they actively engage with not only their child(ren), but other students as well. Their mere presence offers additional security at the school during the day! On the day of their participation, the participants are given a brief review of their involvement and they wear an official WATCH D.O.G.S. Across America® t-shirt or vest Identifying them as WatchDOGS.

Pizza night for dads and kids will be **Tuesday, September 22, at 6:30 in the Williams Cafeteria.** Please complete and Return Bottom Portion RSVP to your child's teacher so that we can be sure we order enough pizza! We'll have a brief presentation on WATCHDOGS, as well as a sign up, but ALL dads/father figures and their Williams Elementary child are invited to attend, regardless of whether they decide to participate in the WATCHDOGS program or not. This is an evening for you and your child to come and have the opportunity to spend a little time together over pizza!

RSVP...

I will be able to attend Pizza night with my child on Thursday, September 22, at 6:30 pm in the WES Cafeteria.

Student(s) Name _____ Teacher's Name _____

Dad's Name _____ Email _____

Phone(s): Home _____ Cell _____ Work _____