*September 2017*

*Dear Parents,*

*I am thrilled that your child has a desire to make a difference in an animal’s life by being a part of Hadley’s Animal Helpers Club. Attached you will find some helpful information and some waivers that need to be signed and* ***returned by Thursday, September 14, 2017.***

**The club will start with the first 24 students to return their applications and then begin a waiting list. Your childs’ place is not held until ALL paperwork, including both waivers, are signed and turned in!**

**PLEASE PRINT NEATLY!!!**

Student’s Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Guardian’s name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ cell \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Email address (**please print!!!**) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* Other members that you need to be grouped with for carpooling if possible:

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* Are there any Mondays that you know your child cannot attend?

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* Does your child have any health issues we need to know about? If so, please list below (or call or email for more privacy).

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I have read the club’s description page and **I** **understand that I will need to make transportation arrangements to and from the shelter for my child.**

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**Parent Signature Date**

**HAH IS RETURNING TO MONDAY MEETINGS THIS YEAR**

**WHAT?** The Animal Helpers’ Club is a service-based club that has been in existence for over 7 years. Even though the shelter has a lot of volunteers to help, they can always use the extra hands to help stock supplies, do light cleaning, and socialize the animals.

**WHEN?**

* Students meet on pre-assigned dates once a week from 4:30-5:30 at the West Suburban Humane Society in Downer’s Grove. Usually your group will meet approximately once per month.
* There may be additional meetings added to create fundraising ideas.
* A schedule will be posted on Mrs. Beaman’s website (Found on the Hadley Staff Directory)
* You will need to arrive to the Humane Society by **4:30** and be picked up promptly by **5:30 p.m**.

**HOW?**

* Unfortunately, we are not able to get a bus to take us from the school to the Humane Society. I will give out the volunteer calendar far enough in advance so that you can arrange for rides. Carpooling with other club participants is a great idea!
* Each student who wishes to volunteer at the Humane Society must fill out a *waiver* that is to be signed by a parent/guardian. **This information must be turned in before you can participate.**

**RULES**

* Show up!!! There are usually over 50 students interested in volunteering, and many students end up on a wait-list. If you say you’re going to participate but don’t show up, that means that someone else could have gone in your place.
* Things DO come up. Please let me know as soon as possible if you realize that you are unable to attend your scheduled session.
* 1st unexcused absence = warning
* 2nd unexcused absence = removal from schedule.
* **IF YOU ARE ABSENT FROM SCHOOL ON THE DAY YOU ARE SCHEDULED TO VOLUNTEER, THIS DOES NOT COUNT AS AN UNEXCUSED ABSENCE!!**

**WHAT ELSE?**

* **Dress for the weather** because we do take a few dogs out for some play time even in the winter!!

**QUESTIONS?**

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