



# LaunchPad<sup>®</sup>

Career Liftoff for Kids

## Now Seeking Volunteer Classroom Speakers for Fall 2008. Sign Up Today!

YouthFriends is now training Greater Kansas City area volunteers interested in becoming classroom speakers through the LaunchPad volunteer speakers bureau.

### **It's fun. It's flexible. It makes a difference.**

Volunteers will have the opportunity to give brief classroom presentations that introduce K-12 students to various fields of work and help teachers bring real-world relevance to subjects being taught in their classrooms. Volunteers can commit to presenting as often as they choose (with a minimum commitment of four times per year).

### **How it works**

Through LaunchPad's online database, speakers will post information about their expertise, availability and preferred age groups and school districts. Teachers can then access the database throughout the year to review speaker profiles and "book" speakers, allowing the matching process to occur online.

### **Getting started**

#### **Current YouthFriends volunteers**

1. Call today to sign up to attend a 1.5 hour training session (on-site training is available for groups)
2. Upon successful completion of training, you will receive instructions for entering your profile in the online classroom speakers database.

#### **New volunteers**

1. Download and complete a YouthFriends application from [youthfriends.org](http://youthfriends.org)
2. Complete a background screening and attend a 1.5 hour training session (on-site training available for groups)
3. Upon successful completion of training, you will receive instructions for entering your profile in the classroom speakers database.

### **Next Trainings**

**April 9, 4-5:30 p.m.**

**May 5, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

**June 12, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

Teachers can begin booking speakers online beginning in fall 2008. For more information, contact Becky Heiman at 816.268.3359.

Don't see a session that works for you? Call Becky Heiman at 816.268.3359 to schedule a time that fits your schedule! Training will take place at the YouthFriends Central Office, 1800 Baltimore, Suite 400, Kansas City, Mo. 64108. Also talk with Becky about special group training at your workplace.



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