

PAL PARTNER APPLICATION 2021



REVIEW THE REQUIREMENTS; CHECK THE BOX FOR THE SEASON YOU ARE APPLYING FOR:

_____ **Spring. Application deadline: Monday, March 15 by 5 pm**

PAL Partners work two half-day weekend shifts per month, for 6 weeks beginning in March and one half-day special event shift March, April or May. Interviews will be held the week of March 14, and those accepted must attend an orientation and training on Saturday, March 20.

_____ **Summer. Application deadline: Monday, May 17 by 5 pm**

PAL Partners work one half-day shift per week for 10 weeks beginning June 13 and one half-day weekend or one Tuesday evening shift per month for June, July and August (exceptions can be made for family vacations). Interviews will be held the week of May 24, and those accepted must attend a mid-morning orientation, Saturday, June 5 and an evening training on Tuesday, June 8.

_____ **Fall. Application deadline: Monday, August 9 by 5 pm**

PAL Partners work two half-day weekend shifts per month, for 6 weeks beginning in September and one half-day special event shift September, October or November. Interviews will be held the week of August 15, and those accepted must attend an evening orientation Tuesday, August 24 and a mid-morning peer training Saturday, August 21.

To be eligible, applicants must be at least 14 years old or entering 9th to 12th grade in the fall. After the interview, those accepted will be required to purchase a PAL Partner T-shirt (\$12) and attend an orientation and training.

Please complete this application form if you are interested in volunteering at Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park as a PAL Partner.

STUDENT INFORMATION

Name (first/last) _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email _____

Date of Birth _____ Age _____

School You Will Be Attending Next Year _____ Grade _____

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

How did you find out about this program?

Have you volunteered before? If so, please tell us when and where.

Do you have experience working with the public?

DESCRIPTIVE PARAGRAPH

Please attach a brief paragraph describing your interest in the PAL Partner Program, what you hope to gain by participating and why you should be selected as a PAL Partner. You may include this with your letters of reference.

REFERENCES

Please attach three letters of reference in support of your application. These should NOT be from family members. You may ask teachers, coaches, neighbors, employers, religious leaders, etc.

PARENT/GUARDIAN EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Name (first/last) _____ Relationship _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email _____

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date _____

I understand all the requirements of the PAL Partner Program.

Student Signature

Date _____

IMPORTANT DATES

Spring Applicants:

Monday, March 15—Applications Due

Week of March 14—Interviews

Saturday, March 20—Orientation and Training

Summer Applicants:

Monday, May 17—Applications Due

Week of May 24—Interviews

Saturday, June 5 and Tuesday, June 8—Orientation and Training

Fall Applicants:

Monday, August 9—Applications Due

Week of August 15—Interviews

Saturday, August 21 and Tuesday, August 24—Orientation and Training