## **Overview of the Beacon Center After School Program:**

- Working with 2<sub>nd</sub> 5<sub>th</sub> grade students from 3:30 6:30pm every day
- Offering homework support, tutoring, enrichment courses (arts, music, science, history, dance, etc.) and recreational activities
- Providing students an opportunity for social involvement with students their own age and high school and adult mentors
- Extracurricular involvement, field trips, student showcases and more each year!

## **Expectations of High School Volunteers:**

- **Sign in and out** every day and always wear your nametag
- Engage with the students and participate in all activities (no cell phone use, no chatting with fellow volunteers when your help is needed, remember the safety of students at all times)
- **During Homework Hour:** circle the room and help any student with his/her hand raised. You may be asked to work with specific students during this hour.
- **One-on-One Tutoring:** you will be working with 1-2 students at a time by practicing reading literacy and math skills in a separate room with a Beacon Center staff member (usually room 101). Lessons, activities, books, and homework (if needed) will be provided for you.
- One-on-One Mentoring: some of our students need additional guidance or sometimes just someone to talk to. During some tutoring hours you may be asked to sit and socialize with these students and keep the energy up and activities fun to boost student's self-esteem and motivation in studies. You will receive more information on this portion of volunteering at a later date.
- **Enrichment Activities:** you may be asked to support a teacher and staff member with activities in his or her class. These activities can range from science, cooking, art, music, dance, cultural history and more.
- Recreational Activities: it's like P.E. for 2 hours! You will be asked to play sports
  and games with the teachers and students during this time---you must be wearing
  CLOSED TOED SHOES in order to participate!
- **Extracurricular Activities:** we often have Chinese Lion Dancing, special Arts classes and other service providers join us each week for activities. You may be asked to help with these activities if you are interested.

## **Basic Rules:**

- Students going to the restroom or outside class area must be in pairs (2:1 ratio)
- Always wear closed-toed shoes for recreational activities
- Always wear a name tag and sign in every day
- When working with students, high school volunteers must always be within eye-sight of a Beacon Center or a Ulloa staff member (i.e. do not be or walk with a child alone)
- Let us know how long you will be here each day. If you are absent, will be late or need to leave early, please tell the Beacon Site Coordinator immediately