

# The Great American Teach-In

The Great American Teach-In was initiated in 1990 as a joint effort of SERVE, the Hillsborough Education Foundation, local businesses and leading educators.

The purpose of this day is to encourage employees, businesses, community leaders, sports figures, local personalities, retirees, community volunteers and parents to become involved in education by sharing what they know with a new generation.

Volunteers spend an hour (or more) in a Hillsborough County public school classroom talking with students about work, career challenges, hobbies and life experiences. They provide real life insights into work and careers and reinforce the importance of education for success in any occupation.

**Talk about your job . . .**  
**Share your hobby . . .**  
**Provide good examples . . .**

**Contact the school of your choice by November 9, 2011 and ask for the Teach-In Coordinator or return the attached registration form**

**Public schools are listed on the school district website at: [www.sdhc.k12.fl.us](http://www.sdhc.k12.fl.us)**

## Teach-In Tips!

- Plan for 20-30 students per classroom.
- Wear clothing appropriate to the occupation, topic or hobby you plan to discuss.
- Keep in mind that the average attention span for elementary students is 10-15 minutes and 20-30 minutes for secondary students, so vary your activities and presentation.
- Upon arrival at the school, please proceed to the main office to receive your name tag, sign in, and get directions to the classroom.
- If you plan to bring printed or audio visual materials, please confirm with the Teach-In Coordinator in advance.
- Most of all . . . HAVE FUN!! Enjoy your classroom experience!

**If you do not have a specific school, please contact:**

**serve**   
volunteers in education  
**(813) 872-5254**



 **The Great American Teach-In**

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Tampa, FL 33607

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## Sign Up Today!

To register, simply complete and return this form by November 9, 2011

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Contact phone number \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Company/organization \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Subject or Topic \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Length of Stay:

1-2 hours  3-4 hours  All day

Preferred Time of day to speak? \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred School? (If so, please list) \_\_\_\_\_

To volunteer, please complete this form and mail or fax to:

### SERVE

3111 Tampa Bay Boulevard • Tampa, FL 33607

Phone: (813) 872-5254

Fax: (813) 673-4577

[www.servevolunteers.org](http://www.servevolunteers.org)

I am interested in joining SERVE's Speakers Bureau and speaking to classrooms throughout the year.

I cannot speak this year, but would like to contribute \$ \_\_\_\_\_ towards providing speakers for students in the classroom.



**SERVE** – Volunteers in Education is the official non-profit volunteer arm of the Hillsborough County Public Schools and the lead agency administering the Great American Teach-In in Hillsborough County.

**SERVE's** mission is to increase student achievement and enhance the educational experience by providing community volunteers to support Hillsborough County educators. In the 2010-11 school year over 51,000 SERVE volunteers provided over 1.4 million hours of volunteer time worth over \$30.9 million to support Hillsborough County Schools.

**SERVE** is celebrating over 40 years recruiting, screening, training, retaining and rewarding volunteers in Hillsborough County Public Schools. Through the Great American Teach-In volunteers have the opportunity to become involved with a school for one day of service, which may lead to additional involvement.



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**Thursday  
November 17, 2011**