

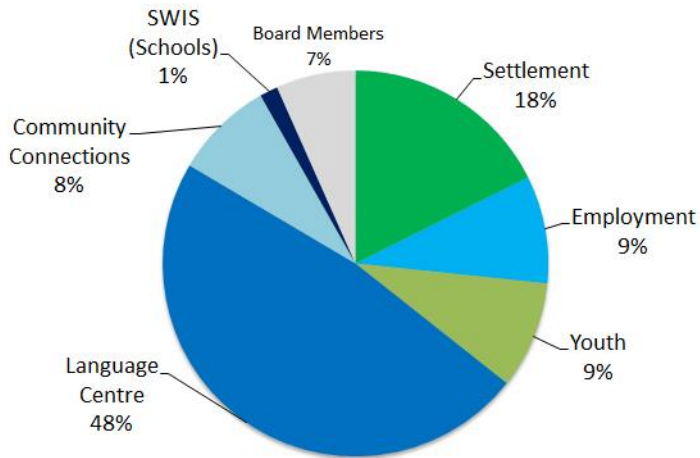


Community Connections Volunteer eNewsletter, Winter 2017

To our dearest volunteers at NSMS.

As the end of the year 2017 is approaching, we hope you made great accomplishments and wonderful memories this year. At NSMS, we had 169 volunteers contributing 3,955 hours of their time to help newcomers with us. The pie chart below shows where the volunteer hours have been received. On behalf of NSMS, we would like to sincerely thank you for all the support and dedication.

Volunteering Hours per Dept. at NSMS, 2017



Now... (drums rolling...), it is time to announce our **Top Volunteers of 2017!**

- ❖ **Arezou Mohammdadbeygi**
- ❖ **Carol Riley**
- ❖ **Mahnaz Sigari**
- ❖ **Ron Needham**
- ❖ **Yasmin Cooper**

Congratulations to all the Top Volunteers!!
If you are a winner, please contact Sochell (sochellr@nsms.ca or 604-973-0453) to claim your prize!



Winter Mingle Party

Community Connections celebrated this year with our annual Winter Mingle Potluck Party on Thursday, December 14th. This party is our holiday tradition to celebrate the old and new friendships with clients, volunteers and staff to share food, fun and laughter. We had fun playing Pictionary games, and 3 people were lucky to win raffle prizes.



Newcomers English Club (Photos Above) – Conversation Leader Volunteer Positions Available

This fall, Community Connections Dept. launched a new 6-week program, Newcomers' English Club at the new Delbrook Community Centre. We had an instructor and 4-6 volunteers to lead conversations at the table, and the students enjoyed learning new vocabulary and practicing their English in small group settings. We are having another 6-week English Club on Wednesdays, from 9:30-11:30am, starting on January 17th at the Delbrook Community Centre. If you are interested in volunteering, please let Sochell know (sochellr@nsms.ca or 604-973-0453) as soon as possible. Thank you.

NSMS will be closed during the holidays from Friday, December 22nd and will re-open on Tuesday, January 2nd.

We sincerely thank you for all your support and wish you and yours a wonderful holiday season.

We look forward to working with you again in the New Year.

From Sochell, Minori and Meharoona, Community Connections Dept.

