



Community Service Requirement

"It is more blessed to give than to receive." - Acts 20:35

The program provides opportunities for students to engage with the materially poor of our community through varied service experiences to make students more aware of the needs of others, and of their responsibility to help those in need.

Students are required to complete the following hours of community service:

- 15 hours freshman year
- 20 hours sophomore year
- 25 hours junior year
- 30 hours senior year

Service Specifications

- Hours and completed forms are due **PRIOR to the close of the 3rd quarter (exact date TBD)**
- Students are responsible for finding service opportunities, but opportunities will also be provided and suggested by the Director of Campus Ministry.
- Service hours **cannot** take place during school hours.

X2Vol Service Recording

- X2Vol is a service recording and resume building software with a user friendly interface and linked to Naviance.
- Students will be trained during Orientation Week in August or during their Computer course over the summer.
- Site organizers and supervisors will be required to sign-off on student service through x2Vol
- Work should be recorded and signed-off through x2Vol on the **day of service**.

Approval

- The following may **NEVER** be considered service and if submitted will be invalid:
 - Volunteering at a FOR-profit businesses (i.e. doctor's offices, law firms).
 - Any house, yard work or babysitting done for family, friends or neighbors.
 - Anything in which payment is received, or doing work you would normally be paid for but not accepting pay.
 - Activities that are part of being a member of a sports team or club
 - Service should not be done through organizations that are contrary to the mission and beliefs of St Joseph High School and the Catholic Church.

Grading

- Any student who does not complete their service hour requirement on time will receive an "F" for Service, and an "I" (incomplete) for their Theology class. The student will also become academically ineligible for the fourth quarter, and will not matriculate to the next grade level until their service hours are completed.

Above and Beyond Hours

- Any additional service can be turned in for "Above and Beyond" hours. These hours are due by May 1st. However, students should turn in **all completed service hours** at the regular due date. All additional hours will be recorded through x2Vol as they are received until the May 1st deadline.
- If a student completes **100** or more hours, in addition to the 15 hour requirement, he or she will be recognized at class day and receive a certificate.



Suggested Service Organizations & Activities

Service focus is intended as a guide for students to demonstrate the privilege they have as a St Joseph High School student and the responsibility they have to the stewardship of others. For service approval and suggestions, please contact the Director of Campus Ministry, Mr Jordan Smith.

FOCUS	SCHOOL	COMMUNITY	NATIONAL	GLOBAL/UNIVERSAL
Approved Acts & Organizations	Alumni Events Walk-A-Thon Phone-A-Thon Open Houses Entrance Exams Sports Concessions Easter Egg Hunt Admissions Events (envelopes, mailings) Various School-wide Service Projects Thanksgiving Food Drive Advent Giving Tree Catholic Service Corp Projects	<u>Parish Life</u> Altar Serving Lectoring/Cantoring Extraordinary Minister Vacation Bible School CCD/Sunday School Teacher Bible/Church Camp Counselor (unpaid) Parish Childcare Youth Group Service Projects Retreat Leader (Emmaus, Convivo, Kairos, etc.) Knights of Columbus <u>Town</u> Town Library Services Coaching Town Athletic, Non-Profit Programs Town Senior Centers Town Food Pantries Police/Fire/EMS Departments Community Centers Local Parks Clean Up/Conservation Town Pound/Animal Shelters Boy Scouts Girl Scouts <u>Elementary/Middle Schools</u> Coaching School Teams Theater Programs (Directing, Producing, Not Acting) Tutoring Programs Grounds Restoration	<u>Hunger and Homelessness</u> Habitat for Humanity Operation Hope Midnight Run Merton House Spooner House Lord Chamberlin Wesley Village Bridgeport Rescue Mission Prospect House Catholic Worker House <u>Youth/Education</u> Boys and Girls Club Boys and Girls Village Missionaries of Charity Ronald McDonald House Special Olympics YMCA Sterling House The Kennedy Center Caroline House Missionaries of Charity ABCD <u>Environment</u> Bridgeport Community Land Trust Harvest Now <u>Veterans</u> Homes for the Brave VITAS VA Hospital <u>Healthcare</u> Maefair Healthcare Center St. Joseph's Manor Camp Sunshine Make a Wish Foundation Diaper Drive Hopeline Red Cross Malta House Local Hospitals Local Nursing Homes	International Red Cross Habitat for Humanity Catholic Relief Services Catholic Charities St. Jude Children's Hospital Cancer Awareness Programs Bully Prevention Program Hunger and Homelessness Programs Mission Trips (Appalachia, Haiti, etc.) NGOs Operation Rice Bowl Feed the Children AmeriCares Foundation UNICEF Doctors/Nurse Across Borders Operation Smile Tony Blaire Foundation *If there is activity or organization that fits within the requirements but is not on the list, the student must receive approval from the Director of Campus Ministry through the x2Vol App. *All service, even if listed here, must be confirmed through x2Vol.

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