



2021-22 Christian Service Hour Guidelines

Dear Parents, Guardians and Students:

At Archbishop Hoban High School, reaching out to and serving the most vulnerable in our community is at the core of who we are as a Catholic school rooted in the Holy Cross tradition. Because of this, we will continue this rich tradition of serving others as we witness and participate in the building of Christ's kingdom.

This year, students will be required to complete their yearly Christian service hour requirement. Campus Ministry understands that many sites are still not accepting volunteers. In this time where direct service may not be possible, we are still called to love our neighbor. Because of these unprecedented circumstances that COVID-19 has presented, the Christian service hour program for the 2021-22 school year has once again been changed and expanded. Please read the following information carefully.

Please note, these guidelines are temporary and will be used for the 2021-22 school year. We expect our program to return to its normal format for the 2022-23 school year.

Overview:

- **Tuesday, June 1, 2021:** Students may begin working on their Christian service hours.
- **Monday, January 10, 2022:** Students must have half of their Christian service hours completed, logged in x2VOL and verified by the activity contact.
- **Friday, March 4, 2022:** Christian service hours are due. All hours must be completed, logged in x2VOL and verified by the activity contact by this date.
- Christian service hours are a yearly requirement for a student to be promoted to the next grade and to graduate.
- Service Hour Requirements by Grade:
 - Freshmen: 10 hours
 - Sophomores: 15 hours
 - Juniors: 20 hours
 - Seniors: 30 hours
- **For this year,** students may complete any combination of *Community Service Hours* and/or *Family Service Hours*. Because of this change, you will **not** be required to submit a pre-approval form this year. Log Christian service hours on x2VOL as you complete them. ***Hours logged must be reasonable in relation to the service performed.***
- Christian service hours must be logged in x2VOL.
 - Returning students will use their existing x2VOL account to log hours.
 - Incoming freshmen and transfer students will have an account created for them and they will need to register on the site before entering hours.

Community Service Hours

Community Service Hours are hours that can be completed with an organization in the greater Akron area. Before reaching out to a community service organization, make sure they are accepting volunteers. For this year only, you may work with an agency that provides indirect service to the community. Here are some ideas of how you might serve the community. You may also suggest other Community Service ideas to Campus Ministry for approval.

- Food banks, food delivery programs or community hunger centers
- Tutoring programs (either summer programs or during the school year)
- Park systems that have volunteer programs
- Organizations such as Habitat for Humanity
- Any ministry at your church or place of worship
- Send cards/emails to hospital patients, nursing home residents, and healthcare professionals. Be sure to contact the hospital or assisted living facility before sending any letters.
- Call elderly members of your parish or place of worship (Contact them to see if they are doing this or have a list of people you could call.)
- Any site that has been approved by Campus Ministry in the past that is taking volunteers

Family Service Hours

Family service hours give you the opportunity to serve your family. Your family needs YOU! Here are some ideas of how you might show love and give charitably to the members of your family. You may also suggest other Family Service ideas to Campus Ministry for approval.

- Help your siblings with any summer work or school work
- Cook and serve meals to your family
- Clean up around the house--general cleaning/disinfecting
- Complete large projects--clean closets or the attic, organize the basement, garage or pantry
- Do yard work that you would not normally do--planting, weeding, mulching, raking, snow shoveling
- Babysit younger siblings (for free)
- Cook a meal and take it to your neighbors
- Take out your neighbor's trash
- Ask your family members or neighbors how you can help them!

Please contact Hoban's Christian Service Coordinator, Mr. Chris Fahey (faheyc@hoban.org), with any questions.

Peace,

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