



# Mission



## What is Mission Engagement?

Engaging is more than just counting down hours. It is actively participating in the service of others. It is being on mission to glorify God and impact the world for Christ.

## I'm a **Freshman**... What about me?

This year you will begin to seek the ministry areas that God may have gifted you in by exploring different categories of experiences. You will participate in three experiences in two categories, completing a MERF for each one.

## What is an "experience"?

A mission experience is any act of volunteer/non-paid service for others that involves ministering to and serving those outside your immediate family. Activities should not be part of an academic requirement or take place during the school day.

## What are the categories?

**Educational Discipleship** | Leading and teaching in your church or your community. Examples include coach, pre-school worker, camp workers, teacher, etc.

**People in Need** | Reaching out to people to meet a specific need. Examples include elderly home, soup kitchen, shelter, special needs kids, etc.

**Community** | General service to the community that is not meeting a need of a specific person. Examples include community centers, fire department, parks & rec, clean a stream, 5K run for a cause, etc.

**Campus Based** | A wide variety of activities through both GCA and GBC will be made available throughout the year.

## Exactly how do I do this?

- Look for an opportunity to get engaged through the school, your team, your church, or your community.
- Go do it! Be sure to record the name and contact information for the person who supervised your experience.
- Think about your experience. Is this something you would want to do again? Why or why not?
- One of your additional experiences should be from a different category.
- For each experience, complete an online MERF (Mission Engagement Reflection Form) on x2Vol. MERFs should be completed within 30 days of the activity. You need to have at least three of these completed by May 15. Your combined experiences should be a minimum of 15 hours.

## What next?

As a sophomore, you will continue to find your areas of gifting by choosing experiences from the remaining categories.