

**ONE CHILD,
ONE TEACHER
ONE BOOK & ONE PEN
CAN CHANGE
THE WORLD.**

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How will VMMS 8th graders impact their communities and the world?

IB Community Project 8th Grade
Vista Magnet Middle School
IB World School



Community Project

MYP (Middle Years Program) Experience

The **Community Project** is service as action **cross-disciplinary** unit driven by **student choice**. Students:

- **identify** areas of concern that have a need in their communities
- **propose** a service as action plan
- **complete** the service as action plan either individually or in a group.
- **reflect** on their progress and overall service as action project
- **share** their work and service as action with the community at IB World Night/Open Night.



Purpose of Community Project

- **Commitment** to service and learning
- **Provide** an opportunity for meaningful action
- **Utilize** knowledge and skills acquired while in the MYP program (MYP = Middle Years Program)
- **Reflect** on efforts, achievements, and learning

IB EPIC Community Project



Student Expectations

- Spend approximately **15 hours** over the course of the community project (including class time, advisory time, service learning)
- Student may choose to work independently, in pairs, or in groups of three for the service as action portion of the community project.



Student Responsibilities

- ★ **Criterion A: Investigating** - Thrively & Topic Research
- ★ **Criterion B: Planning** - Design & Write Formal Proposal
- ★ **Criterion C: Taking Action** - Perform Service as Action & Evidence
- ★ **Criterion D: Reflection & Celebration** -
 - Written Reflection on the Process
 - 6th & 7th Grade Advisory Classes
 - 8th grade Presentation to Peers
 - IB World Night Open House



A group of people living in the same place:

- ~ home
- ~ neighborhood
- ~ school

Community Defined

A body of nations or states unified by common interests:

- ~ Students Rebuild
- ~ Make a Wish
- ~ Relay for Life

A group of people sharing characteristics, beliefs, and/or interests:

- ~ church
- ~ sports
- ~ clubs

A group of interdependent plants or animals growing or living together in a specified habitat:

- ~ Buena Vista Lagoon (Osido)
- ~ Agua Hedionda (Carlsbad)
- ~ coastal habitat



Direct: interactions with people and/or environment



- tutor sessions, campus beautification, school/library volunteer, volunteer time to an organization, beach clean-up, serving food

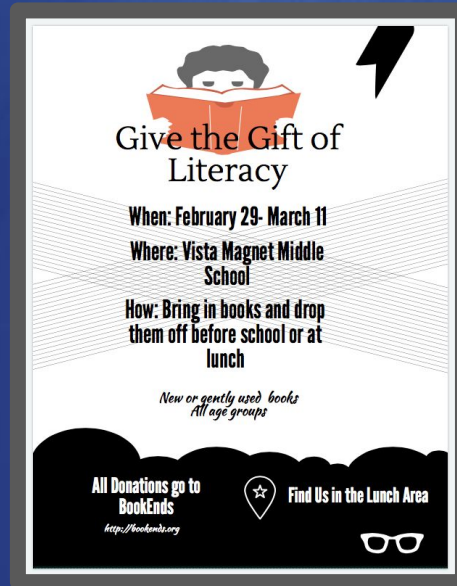


Indirect: actions benefit without direct involvement

- participation in fundraising through a secure site, 5K, walk-a-thon, food collection



**Emiley & Brenna
collected books and
donated them to Boys
and Girls Club of Vista.**



Advocacy: promote a cause or a concern

- classroom/community presentations, awareness workshop, awareness campaign, posters/signs promoting awareness



