

2023-24 Chadwick Upper School Community Service Calendar

August

8/19, 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Peace4Kids Pool Day, Chadwick Pool
8/25, 1:00 p.m.	Community Service Advisory Board
8/26, 1:00 p.m.	Retreat at LA Mission

September

9/6, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.	Shared Bread, Redondo Beach
9/7 G/Lunch	Community Service Fair (mandatory for 9th grade)
9/16, 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.	Coastal Cleanup Day, Dockweiler Beach
9/18	8th Grade Day of Service

October

10/2, 1:15 p.m. - 1:55 p.m.	PUMP Kickoff Lunch & Games (Program for Middle/Upper School Partnerships)
10/4, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.	Shared Bread, Redondo Beach
10/17 and 10/18	Ice Cream Social for K Reading Pals
10/29	Friendship Walk at Manhattan Beach Pier
10/31	Halloween at Little Sisters of the Poor

November

11/1 - 11/10	Candy Collection for Veterans Day
11/2, 1:30 p.m. - 11/5, 2:00 p.m.	The Salinas Project
11/1, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.	Shared Bread, Redondo Beach
11/3, 4:00 p.m.	24 Hours of Homelessness
11/6-11/10	Write Letters to Service Men and Women
11/7, 6:00 p.m.	Hunger Banquet in Christensen Hall
11/10-11, 1:30 p.m - 1:30 p.m.	24 Hours of Homelessness
11/10	Heart of the Village (HOV) Veteran's Day Assembly
Week of 11/13	Food Collection for Poverty Program

December

12/6, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.	Shared Bread, Redondo Beach
12/11	PUMP Buddy Lunch
12/20	HOV Holiday Celebration for Poverty Program
12/20, 3:00 p.m.	MS Store at Poverty Program

January

1/17, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.	Shared Bread, Redondo Beach
1/29	PUMP Buddy Lunch

February

Week of 2/5	US and MS Valentine Card Making for Care Centers
2/6 Comm Time	Spelling Bee
2/7, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.	Shared Bread, Redondo Beach
2/9	HOV Valentine Card Making for Care Centers
2/14	HOV Bake Sale
2/21	Social Justice Day
2/25 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.	Beach Cleanup and Bonfire/barbecue, Dockweiler

March

3/6, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.	Shared Bread, Redondo Beach
3/7, 1:30 - 3/10, 2:00 p.m.	The Salinas Project
3/15, 1:00 p.m. - 3/16, 1:00 p.m.	LA Mission
3/18	Re-application Interviews
3/18	HOV Reading Log Fundraiser for Access Books

April

4/10, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.	Shared Bread, Redondo Beach
4/15	PUMP! End of Year Celebration
4/18, 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Red Cross Blood Drive, Chadwick's Leavenworth Library
4/22-26	MS Mini Week
4/23	Kindergarten Reading Pals Ice Cream Social
4/29	Student-Led Conferences

May

5/1	Shared Bread, Redondo Beach
5/18	Peace4Kids Pool Day
5/20, 1:00 p.m.	Community Service Luncheon honoring Volunteer Drivers

June

6/5	Shared Bread, Redondo Beach
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Learn More About COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Below is a description of the various opportunities Chadwick offers for service to the greater community. Although there is no requirement for service in the Upper School, over 70% of the Upper School chooses to enroll in a weekly service elective each year, and 95% of our students participate in the program at some point during their high school experience. While many of the activities below are weekly service experiences that require class enrollment, we also offer opportunities for students to participate who are not able to make a weekly commitment. We encourage all students to get involved!

VOLUNTEER “WHEN YOU CAN” ACTIVITIES

FOR THE HOMELESS AND HUNGRY

Family Hunger Banquet

Chadwick students and families are invited to a meager dinner, after which we will package 10,000 nutritious meals to be sent to service and relief agencies throughout the world. This year’s banquet will be held at Chadwick on **Tuesday, Nov. 7**, at 6:00 p.m. in Christensen Hall.

Soup Kitchens

Chadwick students volunteer at a variety of programs that serve the homeless and poor in the greater Los Angeles area. Dates are scheduled on a monthly basis, and both families and students are encouraged to attend. Students may volunteer as their schedules dictate. Service with **Shared Bread – Wednesdays, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m. on 9/6, 10/4, 11/1, 12/6, 1/17, 2/7, 3/6, 4/10, 5/1, 6/5.**

Peace4Kids Pool Days

Peace4Kids is a non-profit organization founded in 1998 to provide foster children and youth in need of a sense of belonging, with a safe, nurturing environment where they are given the guidance to learn cooperation, conflict resolution, and build self-esteem. Through creative educational courses, athletic programs, life skills and mentorship, Peace4Kids assists youth in developing the knowledge and skills needed to become successful and self-sufficient adults. The children come to our campus twice a year to enjoy a variety of activities including swimming. Dates are **8/19 and 5/18.**

OVERNIGHT SERVICE TRIPS

The Salinas Project

Chadwick students spend a long weekend working with the Sherwood Elementary School community in Salinas, California. We will travel to Salinas in school vehicles on Thursday and return to Palos Verdes on Sunday. While in Salinas, we will work in the classroom all day on Friday and host a dinner and education night for families that night. On Saturday we will offer educational workshops and/or field trips. We will stay at a migrant camp in the evenings. This experience will give our students insight into the migrant farmworker community in California and provide the opportunity to practice their Spanish skills. This year's trips are scheduled for the weekends of **10/12-15 and 3/7-10.**

24 Hours of Homelessness

Students encounter homelessness first-hand and learn about the challenges this social crisis has created for our cities. Students spend the night at the Los Angeles Mission, hear testimonials from those who live there, prepare and serve meals to the clientele, participate in the evening religious service, and go on a Water Walk in the Skid Row neighborhood. **11/10-11 and 2/23-24.**

MEDICAL CARE AND WELLNESS EDUCATION

Community Helpline

The Community Helpline is a South Bay volunteer agency staffed by teens who provide over-the-phone information, referrals, and crisis intervention to callers. Student volunteers first receive an extensive 26-hour training emphasizing communication skills and information pertinent to Helpline counseling, such as drug abuse, pregnancy, family problems, eating disorders, or suicide. Thereafter, students volunteer for 1-2 three-hour shifts of telephone counseling each week. Training takes place between 9/5 and 9/28 on Tuesday and Thursdays between 5:00 and 7:30 p.m. and costs \$50. Financial aid is available. Applications for this fall's training session are due on September 2 and can be found on the [Community Helpline website](#). Applicants must be 16 to be considered.

FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

Beach Cleanups

Chadwick students and families are encouraged to help clean and restore local habitats on select dates throughout the year. Two beach cleanups will take place this year at Dockweiler Beach in El Segundo **on 9/16 from 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. and on 2/25 from 3 p.m. - 5 p.m.**

WEEKLY SERVICE ELECTIVES

PROGRAMS FOR DIFFERENT LEARNERS

The Center for Learning Unlimited

CLU is a WASC-accredited non-public day school that serves both publicly and privately-sponsored students with unique, complex learning challenges in grades K-12. The therapeutic educational environment is characterized by an emphasis on the development of both academic and social skills through relationship-based interventions. Chadwick students will

partner with individual students to provide both mentoring and modeling of appropriate social activities.

Friendship Club Arts and Crafts with Rancho Vista Elementary

The Friendship Club offers after-school and weekend mentoring and friendship opportunities for students who are enrolled in special education programs. The Chadwick Friendship Team will volunteer with the special education classes at Hawaiian Avenue School every Thursday to host a monthly birthday celebration and other planned activities with their buddies. All projects are done in conjunction with the Friendship Foundation.

Park Western Elementary School

Chadwick students work with children who are diagnosed as being learning disabled, educationally handicapped, or severely emotionally disturbed. These children especially are in need of emotional support as they struggle to develop rudimentary cognitive skills. Chadwick students provide them with friendship while assisting them with elementary academic tasks.

Willenberg School

Chadwick students work with high school aged students who suffer from physical and mental handicaps that preclude their placement in a typical academic setting. Willenberg School is a special education center, serving students aged 3 to 22 years who are autistic, orthopedically handicapped and/or developmentally disabled. Chadwick students serve as behavior models and friends in a variety of classroom settings.

TUTORING SOCIALLY AND ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED CHILDREN

Barton Hill School

Add On Math

Student-led program to develop fundamental math skills and confidence in third-grade students. Chadwick students assess individual skills sets and develop goals for each student using rote memorization, math games and prizes for achievement and participation.

Maker Space

Student-led program to help fourth-grade students enhance their creativity, collaboration and problem-solving through carefully designed activities that meet state standards for science and technology.

Boys and Girls Clubs of the Los Angeles Harbor

The Boys and Girls Clubs serve the most at-risk children of the harbor community, sponsoring 17 programs and serving over 2000 boys and girls daily. Programs include tutorial centers, reading and math programs, college bound support, life skills, arts programming and leadership and character development. Student volunteers must have signed parent permission to participate at one of the four sites we serve.

Harbor City Elementary School

Hands on Science

Student-led program to nurture passion and confidence in scientific inquiry through experiential learning in a wide variety of hands-on activities. Chadwick students present a short introduction to the topic and the materials to perform a lab-based activity in three fifth-grade classrooms.

Just Dance!

Just Dance! is a student-initiated, developed, and directed movement program offered to the third-grade classes at Harbor City Elementary School. Through guided instruction of dance basics and a choreographed dance routine, students are encouraged to develop their love of movement and their confidence in performance. Student comments are based on attendance records, written feedback from the sites, small group discussion, personal goal setting and written guided reflection.

Learn From Scratch

Using the “Scratch” program developed by MIT, Learn from Scratch is a student-created program to teach elementary school-aged students about coding.

Hawaiian Avenue School

All of the schools where our students volunteer are large public elementary schools in the LAUSD. Some of the students may have very limited ability in English. At Hawaiian Avenue School, Chadwick volunteers provide remedial reading and math instruction for students who are academically at risk.

Head Start

Head Start is a national program that promotes school readiness by enhancing the social and cognitive development of children through the provision of educational, health, nutritional, social and other services to enrolled children and families. We offer service opportunities at the Santa Cruz Head Start in San Pedro. Volunteers must have documentation for a current TB test and vaccination for flu, pertussis and measles.

ACTIVITIES WITH THE AGED

Little Sisters of the Poor Retirement Community

The Little Sisters of the Poor Jeanne Jugan Residence is a Roman Catholic retirement community offering housing and care to the elderly poor. Chadwick students will engage the residents through weekly bingo games that foster friendship and camaraderie.

Royalwood Care Center

Royalwood's clientele is both those in rehabilitative care and those in permanent, long-term convalescent care. Most, but not all, of the patients are elderly. Chadwick students visit the residents on a one-to-one basis and provide afternoon activities for groups of patients.

ON-CAMPUS SERVICE

EcoCommunity

Students in this activity perform a variety of activities directed toward the sharing and dissemination of information on a broad range of environmental issues and work toward rehabilitation and restoration in our Chadwick canyon.

PUMP! (Program for Upper/Middle Schools Partnership)

Chadwick peer tutors from the Upper School offer academic and emotional support for Chadwick Middle School Students. Upper School student mentors and their seventh-grade friends establish relationships that nurture social and academic growth through four on-campus lunches.

READING PALS

Chadwick Upper School students volunteer to read for and with kindergarten students to nurture their social and academic skills and share the love of reading.

VITAThe IRS sponsors the Volunteer Income Tax Advisor program to prepare people to serve as tax preparers for those who cannot afford to pay for such support. Chadwick students will study for the exam during 7th periods on Tuesdays and then provide tax services to the community at designated locations in February, March and April.

Community Service Advisory Board

Students selected in the spring of the prior year assist in the design, implementation and evaluation of the various components of the Community Service program at Chadwick.
