



VA Community Service Guidelines

Community service is when a student decides to help or give of their time in their community. Community service hours must be done between grades 9th through 12th. Seventy-five (75) hours must be completed by senior year to be recognized at their graduation ceremony. The hours completed per semester and are due at the end of each semester. Community service hours completed in the summer must be submitted by the first week of the following school year. Hours must be submitted to your counselor via email. Letters and log hours are required (contact counselor).

Community service is NOT defined as any internship or clerical/secretarial work. If this is the case, those hours may not be honored. Service hours should involve helping their community in some form or fashion in at least three different areas (for example, a hospital, a library, and a food bank).

Possible locations to earn community service hours:

Boys and Girls Club
Local hospitals
Habitat for Humanity
Church
American Red Cross
Library
Local food drives
Beach clean-up
Veterinarian's clinic
Humane Society
RGV Food Bank
Local recreational park
Special Olympics
Local elementary schools
Nursing
Homes/Rehabilitation Centers

If you have questions regarding volunteer sites, check with your counselor first. Julissa Sandoval, julissa.sandoval@stisd.net.