

# Timeline



The following are major deadlines\* pertaining to the Senior Capstone for seniors for the 2019-20 school year.

*\*Note: Deadlines for capstone items such as the reflective narrative and the thank-you letter will be handed out in Senior English near the beginning of the fourth quarter.*

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| October 16 | Deadline to turn in volunteer and/or activity paperwork from over the summer as well as any undocumented activities from the 2018-19 academic year. |
| April 13   | ALL Pirate Points must be completed by seniors and paperwork turned in.   |
| May 29     | Last day for seniors to pass senior presentations in class.   |
| June 3     | Senior Capstone Community Presentations   |



# Senior Capstone Hour Allotment Guidelines

Students must earn **32 Pirate Points** by the end of their senior year. All forms and reflections are due by the end of 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of Senior year. It is the student's responsibility to turn in forms in a timely manner.

In all activities, please remember to **get photo documentation** (and save photos to your Google Drive); you will need these for your senior presentation!

Students will also need to fill out an Extracurricular Form or a Community Service Form and give it to their Advisory Teacher to record the hours. Students must **keep these forms in their Advisory folders.**

## **General Guidelines:**

1. Students must accrue Pirate Points from at least **TWO** categories, unless doing all Volunteer Hours
2. Students may start to accrue hours in their freshman year at PHS
3. Hours may not be added retroactively from any activities before June of the 2019 school year
4. In addition to at least 32 Pirate Points, a Senior Presentation is still required to graduate

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## **EXAMPLES OF ACTIVITIES THAT COUNT TOWARD PIRATE POINTS**

### **School Sponsored Extracurricular Activities**

Examples: Sports Teams (*Cheerleading, Cross Country, Football, Volleyball, Boys' Soccer, Girls' Soccer, Swimming, Wrestling, Boys' Basketball, Girls' Basketball, Boys' Golf, Girls' Golf, Girls' Tennis, Track & Field, Baseball, Softball, Equestrian*), FFA, Marching Band, Color Guard, Theater Productions, DECA, Math Team, National Honor Society, Peer Mediation, Speech and Debate, My Future My Choice, Art Club, Yearbook, Brain Bowl, Pirates to Raiders

### ***\*Up to 4 Pirate Points per season***

- Must start the season/activity during the first week of official start date and finish the season
- Head Coach/Advisor/Teacher must sign-off on hours

*\*If activity doesn't have a specified start and end date (seasons), students will earn **up to 4 Pirate Points per year.***

## **Student-Sponsored Clubs at PHS**

Examples: Outdoor Club, Impact Club, Thespians, Ultimate Frisbee, Dodgeball Club, Ski Club

### ***\*Up to 3 Pirate Points per year***

- Club must have at least (1) bi-weekly meeting.
- Club must have a designated advisor
- Students must sign-in and attend the club meeting
- Students are responsible for having the advisor verify their hours

## **PHS Leadership Outside-of-Class Participation**

### ***\*Up to 2 Pirate Points per quarter***

- Students must receive a passing grade in the quarter they wish to receive points.
- Students will only receive points for time they put in outside of the normal class meeting time; therefore, just being in the class does not mean you earn your hours!

## **Volunteer Hours Outside of PHS for an Organization**

Examples: (Animal Shelter, Food Bank, Manor, Asante Volunteer Programs, Non-profit organization, Community Agency, Church, Habitat for Humanity, Boys and Girls Club, School Board Rep., etc.)

### ***\*1 Pirate Point per hour volunteered***

- Approval must be granted prior to the start of the volunteer hours
- Verification form must be signed by supervisor
- PHOTO DOCUMENTATION MUST BE INCLUDED

*The key here is that students need to be helping out in the community without gaining any payment for the hours volunteered. As with previous community involvement, it should not be at the workplace of a family member.*

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## **ACTIVITIES THAT WOULD NOT COUNT TOWARDS PIRATE POINTS:**

- Club sports/activities not affiliated with PHS
- Anything a student is paid for
- Babysitting for neighbors / family, etc.
- Court mandated community service



# Pirate Point Rubric for Extracurricular Activities

|  | 4 Points   | 3 Points  | 2 Points  | 1 Point  |
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| School Sponsored Sport / Activity  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Leadership Role</li> <li>• Participated in at least 90% of practices / meetings</li> <li>• Start &amp; finish the activity / season</li> <li>• Academically eligible for the entire season</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Participated in at least 85% of practices / meetings</li> <li>• Start &amp; finish the activity / season</li> <li>• Academically eligible for the entire season</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Participated in at least 80% of practices / meetings</li> <li>• Start &amp; finish the activity / season</li> <li>• Academically eligible for the entire season</li> </ul> |  |
| Student Sponsored Clubs  |  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Leadership Role - if applicable</li> <li>• Participated in at least 90% of meetings</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Participated in at least 80% of meetings</li> </ul>  |  |
| Leadership / Quarter (Outside of class activities)                                     |  |   | See Leadership teacher  |  |
| School Volunteer activities (Haunted House, Blood Drive, Outdoor Ed, Field Days, etc.) |  |   |   | 1 point for first 5 hours<br>1 point for second 5 hours<br>1 point per hour after 10 hours |

## Volunteer Hours: What Counts and What Doesn't Count

*Reminder: Volunteer hours are 1:1, and therefore the guidelines for what counts and does not count are more strict.*

| Examples of What Does Count  | Examples of What Doesn't Count   |
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| <p>Volunteering at fundraising events for nonprofits.</p> <p><i>Examples: Pear Blossom, PHS Alumni Fundraisers, Relay for Life, etc.</i></p>   | <p>Fundraising/volunteering for any sport or school sponsored activity (Example: bagging groceries at Ray's).</p> <p><i>*Reasoning: This is part of an expected team activity. In other words, you are required to take part if you are on the team. As such, you can't "double dip" and earn community service points in addition to the team points you are already earning.</i></p> |
| <p>An activity that helps the community for which you do not get paid or reimbursed in any way.</p> <p><i>Examples: Volunteering at ScienceWorks (it's a museum that benefits the community), volunteering at an animal shelter, Relay for Life, park cleanups, PHS Easter Egg Hunt, Talent Harvest Festival, volunteering at church functions, Tiny Home Build-A-Thon, volunteering at a club or sport event for which you are not involved (TMS track events, choir competitions, etc.), Asante, etc.</i></p>  | <p>Anything you get paid for or reimbursed for in any way.</p>   |
| <p>Volunteering at Habitat for Humanity or at a Soup Kitchen.</p> <p><i>*Reasoning: While you are still helping a "business" of sorts, it is a business devoted entirely to helping others in our community. They are non-profit entities that often rely on volunteers to provide services.</i></p>   | <p>"Volunteering" at a store or restaurant.</p> <p><i>*Reasoning: The business is profiting off of your free labor; it isn't really a "community service."</i></p>   |
| <p>Coaching a youth sports team, helping run a band camp, being a camp counselor, etc.. (We recommend students do this prior to the second half of their senior year.)</p> <p><i>*Reasoning: This is direct community involvement; you are helping support enrichment activities for youth.</i></p>  | <p>Job shadowing (including ride-alongs)</p> <p><i>*Reasoning: We are focusing on community involvement. While job shadowing is admirable, it does not fit the confines of this project since it primarily benefits you.</i></p>   |
| <p>Non-mandated community service.</p>   | <p>Court mandated community service.</p> <p><i>*Reasoning: It is mandated.</i></p>   |
| <p>Organizing and babysitting at PHS events.</p> <p><i>*Reasoning: Directly benefits the PHS community.</i></p>  | <p>Babysitting.</p> <p><i>*Reasoning: Does not help the wider community.</i></p>   |
| <p>Helping to put on school events (Ex: Halloween Carnival) without being involved in the club or activity in charge of putting on the event.</p> <p><u>NOTE: Students can earn a total of 2 points for the first 10 hours of volunteering. After donating their time for 10 hours (cumulative), all additional hours will be considered 1:1.</u></p> <p><i>Reasoning: The students in the club hosting the event will not be receiving volunteer hours in addition to the Pirate Points they are already earning being a part of the club. As such, it is inequitable to have a vast discrepancy in points for students performing the same task.</i></p> | <p>Being part of a club putting on an event and "double dipping" to get extra points.</p> <p><i>*Reasoning: This is part of an expected club activity. In other words, you are required to take part if you are in the club.. As such, you can't "double dip" and earn community service points in addition to the club points you are already earning.</i></p>                        |