YOUTH PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

Student Training
2024-2025

Training Agenda

To explain Youth Partnership Program (YPP)

To discuss value of volunteerism to oneself and one's community

To explain YPP program requirements and provide tools for compliance (handouts)

To discuss student's responsibilities and deadlines

To share examples of volunteer opportunities

Purpose of YPP

- To encourage high school students to serve as volunteers and paid workers
- To increase awareness of the needs of their community
- To increase awareness of the life-long value of volunteerism and working
- To make students knowledgeable about their rights and responsibilities as a community volunteer and paid worker

Why Volunteer or Work?

- Personal satisfaction
- Help others
- Career exploration and job experience
- Develop leadership skills
- Meet new people
- Obtain recognition
- Document service on high school transcripts for college application and scholarships
- FOR FUN!

Youth Partnership Program Guidelines

Attend this training PRIOR to completing any hours for community service or paid work

Students cannot receive academic credit for volunteer/paid work.

Students may use YPP to meet special program and scholarship requirements.

NEW

Changes to Bright Futures since 2022

- Students can earn hours for community service AND <u>paid work</u>
- Hours from both categories can be combined to meet Bright Futures Scholarship requirements
- The minimum requirements for either community service AND paid work must be met to meet eligibility requirements.

Requirements for Bright Futures Scholarships

- **Academic Scholar** – 100 hours community service OR 100 hours of paid work
- **Medallion Scholar** – 75 hours community service OR 100 hours of paid work
- **Gold Seal Vocational Scholar** – 30 hours community service OR 100 hours of paid work
- **Gold Seal CAPE Scholar** – 30 hours community service OR 100 hours of paid work

Hours That Can Be Counted for volunteer service or paid work

- Volunteer/work for a nonprofit community service organization
- Business or governmental internship
- Activities on behalf of candidate for public office
- Performance, rehearsal, practice, club activities (such as service projects, not meetings), competitions (performing arts, special programs, athletics, etc.) that are affiliated with Volusia County Schools.
- NOTE: Must NOT be related to course requirements; meaning the hours don't count if credit is earned

Hours That Cannot Be Counted

- NCR Study Hall
- Student Aide
- Babysitting a sibling
- If part of a requirement for course credit work

When Can You Volunteer?

- Before school
- During school
- After school
- During school holidays
- On weekends
- On vacation

ANYTIME!

As long as it is NOT related to course requirements, and you are not earning credit

YPP Agreement Form
Student Information

Volusia County Schools

Youth Partnership Program Agreement

Volunteer/Partnership Programs

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY

Make sure your chosen community service or paid work is approved by your school's YPP Coordinator prior to beginning. Submit this completed form to your school.

STUDENT INFORMATION: (To Be Completed by Student)

NAME: _____ STUDENT ID: _____

ADDRESS: _____
Street City Zip

SCHOOL: _____ HOME/CELL PHONE: (_____)_____

PARENT/GUARDIAN'S NAME: _____ PARENTS' DAYTIME PHONE: (_____)_____

CIRCLE ONE: FRESHMAN SOPHOMORE JUNIOR SENIOR GRADUATION YEAR: _____

PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE: _____

❑ YES ❑ NO I have attended training by my Youth Partnership Program (YPP) Coordinator.

I agree to fulfill the duties and time commitments as listed in the organization's job description, including training sessions and to provide adequate notice if I am unable to meet my commitments. I also agree to adhere to the rules of the organization for which I will be volunteering/working and to abide by the procedures, including any record keeping required to maintain the confidentiality of organization and client information.

➔ **STUDENT'S SIGNATURE:** _____ **DATE:** _____

YPP Agreement Form

Organization Information

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION: (To Be Completed by Organization's Supervisor of Student)

NAME OF ORGANIZATION/AGENCY/SCHOOL PROJECT: _____

ADDRESS: _____
Street City Zip

CONTACT PERSON: _____ TITLE/POSITION: _____
(Contact person must verify the student's hours and the quality of the student's work.)

PHONE: _____ E-MAIL: _____

OPERATING HOURS: _____ WEBSITE: _____

COMMUNITY SERVICE/WORK SITE: _____

JOB DESCRIPTION: _____

➔ **CONTACT PERSON'S SIGNATURE:** _____ **DATE:** _____

YPP Agreement Form

Parent/Guardian Information

PARENT OR GUARDIAN INFORMATION: (To Be Completed by Parent or Guardian)

I have read and fully understand the job description above and know the expectations for my son/daughter and hereby request and approve that _____ participate in the Youth Partnership Program. I understand and hereby give my approval for my son/daughter to participate in activities of the Youth Partnership Program that take place on or off school property, during or after school hours. When volunteering through the Youth Partnership Program, I understand that I am totally responsible for my son/daughter's participation and transportation. I, for the above named student and/or undersigned, hereby release from all liability and agree not to sue the School Board of Volusia County, its employees, or agents for any and all loss or damage, and any actions, claims, demands, costs, or expenses therefore, which the above named student or I may have arising out of or which are in any way connected with my son/daughter's participation in the Youth Partnership Program, including transportation to and from the activity.

➔ **SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN:** _____ **DATE:** _____

➔ **SCHOOL BASED YPP COORDINATOR:** _____ **RECEIVED DATE:** _____

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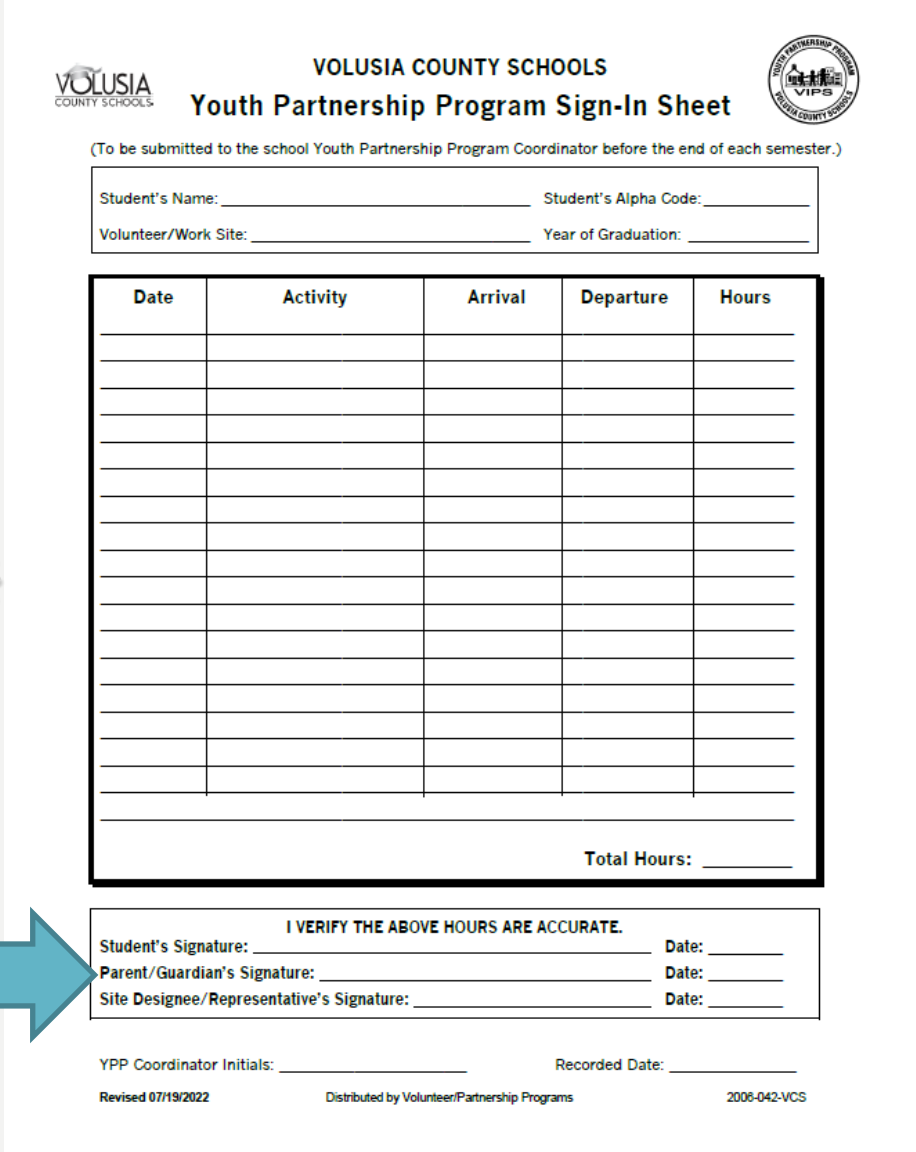
YPP Sign-In Sheet

- Submit hours promptly after completion of volunteer project (quarterly or before end of each semester)
- Completed sheets must be signed and dated by the student, parent/guardian, and the organization



VOLUSIA COUNTY SCHOOLS

Youth Partnership Program Sign-In Sheet

(To be submitted to the school Youth Partnership Program Coordinator before the end of each semester.)

Student's Name: _____ Student's Alpha Code: _____

Volunteer/Work Site: _____ Year of Graduation: _____

Date	Activity	Arrival	Departure	Hours

Total Hours: _____

I VERIFY THE ABOVE HOURS ARE ACCURATE.

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Site Designee/Representative's Signature: _____ Date: _____

YPP Coordinator Initials: _____ Recorded Date: _____

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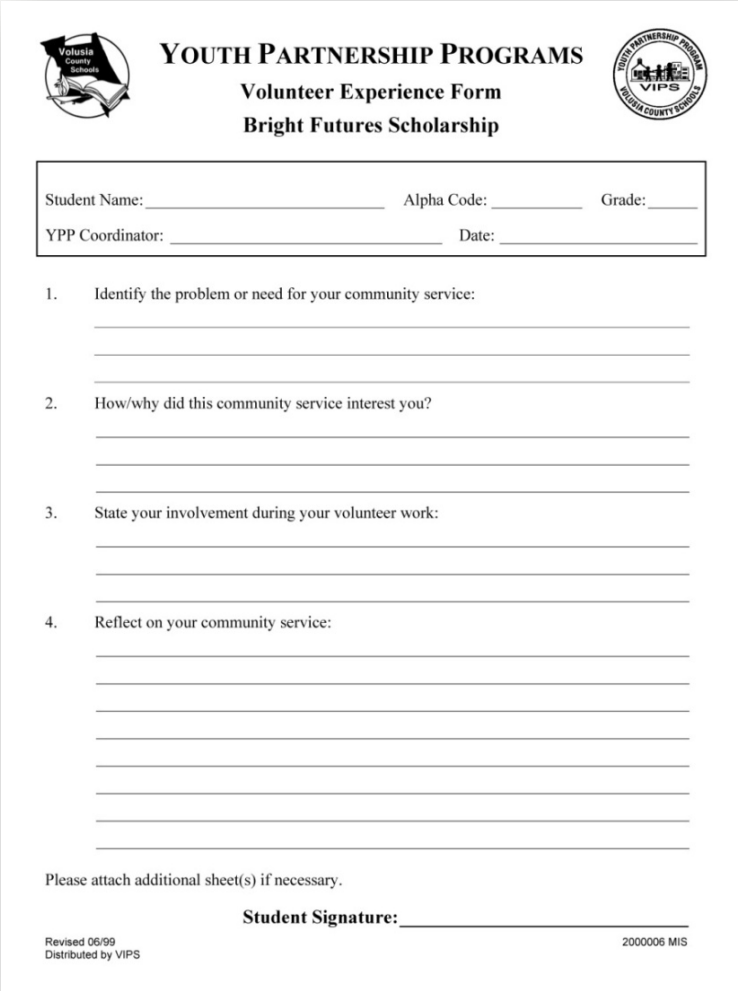
Volunteer/Work Experience Form

- To be completed one time, in your **senior year**
- Identify a social or civic issue, or a professional area
- Develop a plan to address the issue
- State your involvement
- Evaluate and reflect on your experience
- Submit form to the YPP Coordinator no later than May of your senior year



YOUTH PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMS

Volunteer Experience Form

Bright Futures Scholarship

Student Name: _____ Alpha Code: _____ Grade: _____

YPP Coordinator: _____ Date: _____

1. Identify the problem or need for your community service:

2. How/why did this community service interest you?

3. State your involvement during your volunteer work:

4. Reflect on your community service:

Please attach additional sheet(s) if necessary.

Student Signature: _____

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Student's Responsibilities for YPP

Select Volunteer Site	Contact the agency, organization or business selected If in doubt whether it is acceptable, ask your YPP coordinator
Complete Agreement	Complete the YPP Agreement form Make sure you get signatures from your parent/guardian and the site contact
Clarify Responsibilities	Clarify dates, times and responsibilities assigned. Will the agency provide training? When? Where?
Provide Own Transportation	Provide own transportation to and from the volunteer/work site
Document Hours	Perform service without academic credit. Document hours on YPP Sign-In Sheet

Student's Responsibilities to Volunteer/Work Site

Confidentiality	• Respect confidentiality of organization and their clients
Behavior	• Maintain appropriate behavior while volunteering or working
Attendance	• Be prompt– perform service on the day/time agreed • Call organization in advance if you can't keep your obligation
Sign In	• Sign in at volunteer/work site every time you arrive • Document hours on the YPP Sign-In Sheet
Appearance	• Wear proper attire for volunteer/work duties
Assignment	• Accept direction, ask questions • Never do anything that makes you feel uncomfortable

Important Deadlines

SENIORS

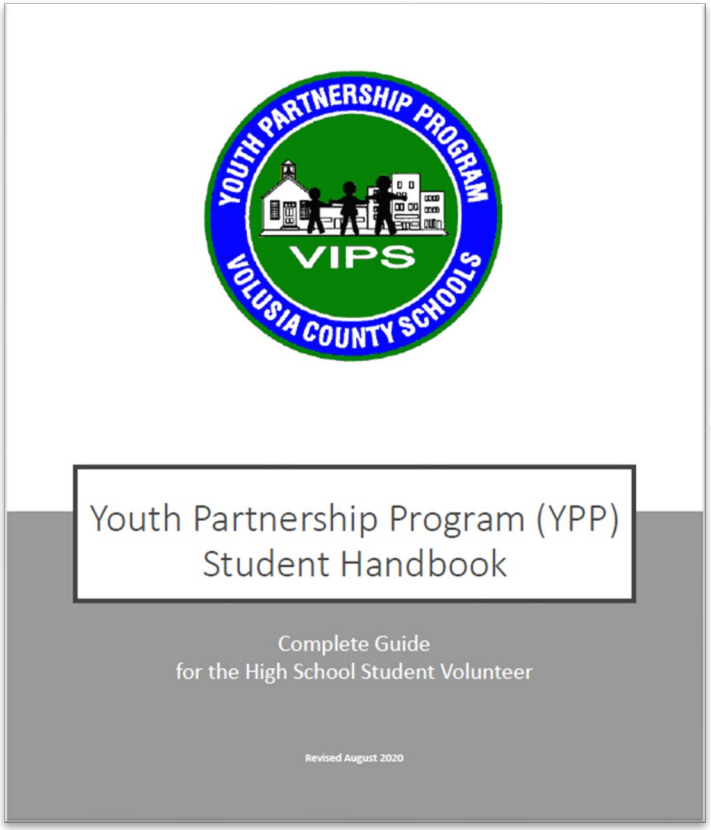
- Report senior hours no later than the last day of senior school year
- Submit completed Volunteer/Work Experience Form by the end of May

9th – 11th GRADE

- Must submit hours by the last day of school

Sample Volunteer Opportunities

Boys & Girls Club	Boy/Girl Scouts	Business Internship	Churches or Synagogues	City or County Governments
Civic Organizations	Extended Day Programs	Health Department	Homeless	Hospice
Hospital or Nursing Home	Habitat for Humanity	Humane Society/Veterinary Clinic	Non-Profit Organizations	Political Campaign
Public Library	Schools and School Clubs	Teen Court	United Way	YMCA



Read the YPP Student Handbook for Detailed Information

QUESTIONS?