Rosary Academy
Service Outreach Requirement for Students
2026-2027

The philosophy of service outreach at Rosary Academy is rooted in the school's charism of "service to the dear neighbor without distinction." As part of the mission, philosophy, and graduation criteria, all students are required to engage in direct face-to-face service throughout their four years. In the tradition of our founding religious order, the Sisters of St. Joseph of Orange, our students are formed as servant leaders to positively impact our wider community.

Freshmen and sophomores participate in class-level service projects. Those unable to attend must make up 8 hours by choosing an agency from Rosary Academy's list of "Approved Non-Profit Organizations."

The service requirement for our junior and senior students puts the ownership on our students to choose an agency from the list of "Approved Non-Profit Organizations." Each student must serve at least 10 hours at one agency in the fall semester. Students will choose an agency in the spring semester to offer a minimum of 10 additional hours. In total each student will serve 20 hours by the end of each academic year. **Please remember that each Rosary student will be allowed to serve at a food agency for only one semester of her time at Rosary. All other agencies are allowed to be repeated.**

Reminders for junior and senior students:

- All hours must come from direct (face-to-face) service obtained at an approved agency from our list.
- All hours are to be logged on a Service Verification Form and submitted to Campus Ministry Office (room 6) by **Friday, November 13, 2026,** in the fall semester and **Friday, April 9, 2027,** in the spring semester.
- Service Verification Forms cannot be signed by a parent, relative, or Rosary student.
- All agencies need to be approved by Rosary Academy, including summer programs.
- Please remember that each Rosary student will serve a total of 20 hours in her junior year and 20 hours in her senior year.

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- Students are given the opportunity to complete their Service Outreach Requirements beginning in Summer 2026.
- If a student does not complete the required service hours by the deadline, the Service Verification Form will still be accepted late, as completion of service hours is a graduation requirement. This allows students to meet the graduation requirement. However, the reflection paper assigned in her Theology class is a separate requirement. The reflection paper reinforces that Service Outreach is part of our mission and the formation of each student as a Rosary Royal. Reflection papers will be written in class, please refer to the class syllabus for the assigned date. The Theology & Religious Studies Department will set the due date, and in accordance with the no-late-work policy, late reflection papers will not be accepted.

Below is an overview of Rosary Academy's Service Outreach requirements for students.

Freshman Year
Class Service Project -- TBD

Sophomore Year
Class Service Project -- Winter Prom for those with Special Needs at Rosary Academy

Junior Year
Fall Semester: (10 hours at an approved agency)_____
Spring Semester: (10 hours at an approved agency)_____

Senior Year
Fall Semester: (10 hours at an approved agency)_____
Spring Semester: (10 hours at an approved agency)_____