



May 4, 2016

Dear Parents & Students,

Over the last several years we have seen an increasing need for students to integrate **SERVICE** into their daily lives. Many children today often focus on what can be done for them rather than what they can do for others. As part of our Christian formation, students in grades 6, 7, and 8 will be required to share their gifts through service for others.

Service hours are **mandatory** and must be completed in all three categories: Local, School, Home Communities. Students must acquire the minimum number of hours to satisfy the requirements. This is the responsibility of the student, though we ask the parents for support. **Students will RSVP** to the coordinator for service events offered, briefly reflect on the activity and manage their own journal with hours and signatures as required

The service-hour guidelines are listed below:

8th Grade – 40 hours Due: April 10, 2016

20 hours from Community
10 hours from School/Parish
10 hours from Home/Neighborhood

7th Grade – 30 hours Due: April 10, 2016

10 hours from Community
10 hours from School/Parish
10 hours from Home/Neighborhood

6th Grade – 20 hours Due: April 10, 2016

(At least) 5 hours from each category
plus
5 elective hours selected from any category of student's choice

Service will be a strong component of our leadership work, and will be planned during school hours in addition to weekend activities. However, service projects during school hours **MAY NOT** be counted toward hours. We hope that service will become a part of our students' value system, and look forward to working with them on this important endeavor.

Sincerely,
Lynn Brown
Principal

Kathleen Benton *call with additional questions or ideas on service 912 663 6817
Student Service Learning Coordinator

Local Community Service

A **RECOGNIZED** NON-PROFIT AGENCY
**LOOK FOR FLYERS IN THE WEDNESDAY ENVELOPES FOR OPPORTUNITIES
AROUND THE AREA, SPECIFICALLY DESIGNED FOR OUR STUDENTS.**

* An alternate service activity may be substituted with prior approval from the religion teacher or the school administration.

School/Parish

Altar Serving (5 Hours)	
Safety Patrols (5 Hours)	
Sunday Babysitting	10:30 Mass
Office/School Assistance during Summer	Contact Mrs. Willoughby for available times
Extended Day Program	Contact Mrs. Faucette for available times
Grounds Keeping	Contact Avis Coleman for more information

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Home/Neighborhood

Service – Anything that directly impacts others
Babysitting for free
Home Projects Cleaning - (above & beyond daily responsibilities)
Yard Work
*Other

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Community Partnerships

[you may contact these organizations directly for volunteer hours or reach out to Kathleen Benton, Service Learning Coordinator for named contacts @ 912-6636817

1. Azalea-land Nursing Home
2. Senior Citizen's Inc. (Summer Angels & Pet Support for Meals on Wheels Clients)
3. Second Harvest
4. Wilmington Island Farmer's Market (sign up to volunteer on-line)
5. Second Harvest
6. Social Apostolate
7. American Red Cross
8. Leukemia/Lymphoma
9. Pediatric Cancer Awareness
10. Abilities Unlimited (local chapter of Savannah participants in Special Olympics)
11. Edel Caregiver Institute
12. Rose of Sharon Apartments
13. St. Joseph's Candler Teen Angels: William's Court, SOURCE, Salvation Army Bell Ringing
14. Our Lady of Lourdes
15. The Adventuro School

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