

# **PSA Community Service Award Guidelines 2017-2018**

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE GUIDELINES:**

Community service hours must be for a not-for-profit organization whose primary mission serves the community. Hours served between May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 and April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018 will be used for the awards given in May 2018. All logs must be submitted by May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018 to be considered.

Community service hours include the actual time volunteering. Please exclude any hours for pay, partial pay, time for travel, lunchbreaks, etc. For mission trips, the hours recognized are typically the hours you spend during the day on the actual project.

Community service hours may not be part of court-mandated community service.

Community service hours will be recognized even if "used" for other volunteer purposes, such as honor society hours, religious organization service requirements, etc. However, students must be aware that some organizations do NOT allow so called double dipping. You can check with the other organization for their requirements.

Any questions about whether your work qualifies as volunteerism must be addressed at the time of service, not at the end of the year. Please email the PSA Community Service Coordinator with any questions. The final determination of qualifying hours will be at the discretion of the PSA Executive Committee.

## **VOLUNTEERISM AT OAKWOOD:**

Only ONE THIRD (33%) of the hours may be in service to The Oakwood School. Volunteerism on the Oakwood campus may NOT include time during regular school hours, time related to a school project/homework, or time related to sports or fine arts events that otherwise receives recognition or accolades. Teachers and staff may choose to designate work on the Oakwood campus as volunteerism based on their judgement. Examples may include volunteering at extended day, tutoring at homework club, summer camp counselor, specific staff originated projects, or teacher originated internships.

## **SERVICE HOURS LOG SHEETS:**

There are TWO forms that will be used for logging hours.

- 1) The "Running Log" has a line for each service day and is best for single day, simple explanation service. For example: hours at Food Bank, charity function, day at Humane Society, etc.
- 2) The "Detailed Log" if used for longer volunteer activities, projects that require explanation, or anytime you wish to give more details on your service. Use this form for any volunteerism done over time. Please include the contact information of your supervisor. For Example: Mission trips, summer camp

counselors, original community service projects, long term Oakwood volunteer projects.

The forms must be filled out completely, at the time of service: month and day, description of service, name of the not-for profit organization served, hours served (to the ¼ hour), name of supervisor and signature. Include contact information for the supervisor for “Detailed Log” and whenever possible on “Hourly Log.”

The supervisor and signature may NOT be from the parent/guardian, unless they are a recognized leader for the non-profit organization served by the student. For example: Boy/Girl Scout Leader, Church youth group leader, teacher at Oakwood, parent works at the non-profit, etc. Please seek a non-relative supervisor whenever possible.

**THE AWARD LEVELS:**

	<u>Total hours</u>	<u>Hours required OFF Oakwood Campus</u>
Bronze:	100-149	67
Silver:	150-199	100
Gold:	200 or more	133

PSA Community Service Awards will be presented at the Awards Assembly in May 2018.

**The PSA Community Service Award contact for 2017-2018**

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Please email the PSA contact if you need log sheets or have any questions about qualifying hours, documentation or other concerns.

**Thank you for your service to the community!!**