

LIBERTY CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY SERVICE GUIDELINES

You are the salt of the earth. Let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven. The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send workers into His harvest field.

Matt. 5:13a, 16, 9:37-38

Mission Statement of Liberty Christian Schools - Liberty Christian is a private Christian school whose mission is to provide Christian parents and their students with a quality, Christ-centered education that is biblically, spiritually, physically, socially and academically sound. We seek to teach God's truth through a biblical world-view and to demonstrate accomplishment of that mission by producing graduates capable of successfully pursuing a vocation as well as making aesthetic, political and moral decisions based on biblical principles.

Statement of Purpose - The community service program helps build a culture of service, citizenship and responsibility in youth - - first unto the Lord, then unto church, family and community. A student's service can be an asset to their community. Service to others can also develop important habits and skills, bringing students into closer contact with their community.

Benefits of Student Service

- Increased student engagement: Service learning allows students to make the critical connection between the knowledge they are acquiring in the classroom and its use in the real world. School attendance and student motivation to learn can increase.
- Improved thinking skills: Service learning helps students improve their ability to analyze complex tasks, draw inferences from data, solve new problems and make decisions.
- Develop Character: Caring for others in a service assignment promotes responsibility, trustworthiness and builds an ethic of service to others.
- Improved social behavior: Young people who are active in service programs are less likely to engage in risky behaviors. Service learning can also reinforce the kinds of social behaviors that are crucial for success in the work force.
- Exposure to new careers: Students come in contact with adults in careers that would otherwise remain hidden to them.
- Stronger community groups: When young people form connections with community groups through service activities, the groups themselves are often the beneficiaries.
- Increased community support for schools: Community members who work with the young people engaged in service activities frequently say they come to view youth differently, seeing them as assets who contribute to the community in positive ways.
- Scholarship: Most scholarship and grant programs require Community Service hours.
- Vision for others: Showing Christ to others through service unto the Lord builds awareness for others.

The implementation of our community service program at Liberty Christian High School is continuing for this school year. We desire to emphasize service learning in Christ as we minister to others.

The requirement for the school year is 20 hours of service.

Throughout our school chapels and announcements, we will update our community service opportunities to help students find a valuable place of service in fulfilling their hours.

Students should complete the top portion of the Community Service Form and submit it to the office for approval before they begin their hours. Upon completion of the service, students must request their supervisor to complete their verification form and return it to the school office.

The student will be given a grade on their report card and ultimately reflected on their transcript. A minimum of five hours must be completed each quarter to receive an “A” for the quarter. Hours for each quarter not served may be made up, but in order to make-up hours, it will be necessary to serve 2 hours for each hour of credit earned.

All hours must be completed by the last day of the school to receive credit.

(Students may begin working on the NEXT school year hours once the summer vacation begins. These can be turned in during the summer or when school resumes.)

REMEMBER

A total of 20 hours per year is required

Community Service hours will not be given for hours worked for:

1. Staff of Liberty Christian Schools
2. Relatives
3. Anytime financial remuneration is given

Community Service forms are available at the school office.