

North View Junior High An International Baccalaureate World School Community and Service

Dear Families,

One of the IBMYP Areas of Interaction is “Community and Service.” At NV, we **require** students to fulfill their Community and Service hours through our **Community Learning Adventures Program**. Mentor teachers will guide students through the project they choose. The students can create their own projects, look at the list on the back of this form or refer to the “Ideas for Community Learning Adventures” found in their journal. Many volunteer sites require adult supervision, so we encourage you to partner with your student in this adventure.

The purpose of **Community Learning Adventures** is to help students understand the needs of people in their community and their ability to help meet these needs. Ideally, this will be an activity that is new to the student. To this end, they should choose an activity that contributes to the well-being of the community and/or the school. Students should not earn grades, awards or any other compensation for their service project.

In order to begin a service opportunity, each student **MUST** follow the **Community Learning Adventures Design Cycle** as follows:

Step #1: Research

See Ideas for Community Learning Adventures (found in journal)

Step #2: Plan*

Name of organization/activity

Date of service and number of hours

Activity/service plan and why you chose it

Step #3: Create*

Site volunteer schedule: days/time

Site agrees to orient student learner to all procedures applicable to activity

Step #4: Evaluate*

Complete an evaluation of student volunteer

Step #5: Reflect*

What tasks were performed and how they met the community needs

* Description of Activity (blue form)

The service hours are a required part of the IB Middle Years Programme. We recommend that the students complete a minimum of five hours per trimester, which will appear on their report card.

Our hope is that students will use their individual talents and strengths to assist the world outside of the classroom. We believe that students will grow emotionally and socially, and they will develop a giving, responsible attitude toward others. Thank you for helping us teach our students that they can “get more than they give” through volunteer opportunities!

North View IB Staff

Please sign on the line below and have your child return this letter to his/her mentor (3rd Hr) teacher.

Please **PRINT** student's **FIRST** and **LAST** name

We have read the above information, are aware of the community service expectations, and **agree** to complete the volunteer activity due each trimester.

Student Signature and Date

Parent Signature and Date

Please return to Mentor (3rd Hr) Teacher

IDEAS . . .

COMMUNITY LEARNING ADVENTURES

GREAT WEBSITES TO CHECK OUT:

www.hungersolutions.org

www.volunteermatch.org

www.volunteertwincities.org

Other ideas:

Legacy Garden

Homeless shelter volunteer

Clean a park

Adopt-a-highway volunteer

Clean North View

Meals on Wheels volunteer

Nursing Home volunteer

Shoveling a Driveway

Free Babysitting (non family)

Teaching/tutoring a young person

Help at a day care center

Coach community sports

Rake leaves

Plant plants

Mow lawns

Help elderly neighbors

Food drive

Pop tab collection

Blanket/Coat Drive

Read a book to younger students

Help someone new to the country

Good Will volunteer

Soup Kitchen volunteer

ARC volunteer

Library volunteer

Big Brother/Big Sister volunteer

Adopt a Family

Pick up garbage

Hope for Kids volunteer

Walk dogs

Can drive/Recycling

Santa Anonymous

Pet Haven Adoption Volunteer

Feed my Starving Children Volunteer

Loaves and Fishes volunteer

Also, feel free to make up your own projects!