

Suggested Service Organizations:

Places of Worship
Habitat for Humanity
American Red Cross
St. Vincent de Paul Society
Bethesda House
Elder Care Homes
Kids by the Sea
Boys and Girls Clubs (with prior approval)
Hospitals
Teen Court
Salvation Army
Soup Kitchens
Mote Marine
Humane Society or other animal shelter
Summer Camps (with prior approval)
All Faiths Food Bank
Environmental Agencies
YMCA (with prior approval)
Public Libraries
Missionary Activities
Special Olympics
St. Martha's Day Care
Disabled Care Organizations
Jewish Community Center (with prior approval)
The Players Theater
Sierra Club

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Community Service Program

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Questions and Answers

Cardinal Mooney Catholic High School has always been dedicated to serving the community. In light of this we developed the Community Service Program, which requires 100% involvement by our students. As a Catholic school, we believe that our students should heighten their sense of social responsibility by their commitment of service to others. This is the principle reason why the Community Service Program was established at CMHS.

The following are questions that families frequently ask about our Community Service Program:

Why are students required to do community service?

- Service is part of our commitment as Christians.
- As a Catholic institution, we pride ourselves in preparing our students for their future endeavors in life.
- We have a civic responsibility to serve the community in which we live.

What are the community service requirements for students?

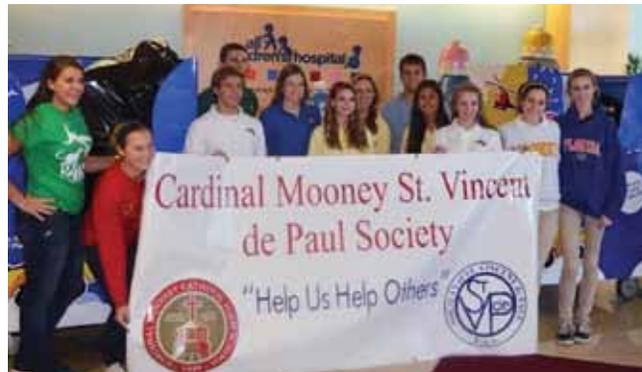
Throughout their high school years, students are required to serve the community. As a requirement for graduation from CMHS all students are required to serve a total minimum of 100 community service hours. A minimum of 15 hours per semester for a total of 30 hours per year are required for grades 9 through 11. Twelfth-grade students must complete their last 10 hours during the first semester of their senior year.

How does a student find a community service project?

First, look for an approved nonprofit agency with which to become involved. Next, if necessary, contact the CMHS Community Service Coordinator for approval. It is important to fulfill this community service requirement before the end of each semester when opportunities may be limited. Students who wish to work on this requirement during the summer should check with the Community Service Coordinator to ensure proper approval prior to involvement in a project.

What types of organizations qualify for community service hours?

- It should be an organization that fills a social need or performs a service for the impaired, the infirmed, the poor or the elderly.
- The project must be supervised by a qualified adult. The supervisor cannot be a relative of the student.
- **Only approved nonprofit community service organizations are eligible to qualify for the CMHS service requirement.**



Are there consequences if the service hours requirement is not met?

Failure to complete the total required hours of service, or any portion of them, will result in the loss of a percentage of the student's Theology grade for the semester. This loss of percentage, however, does not exempt the student from the responsibility of completing the required hours of service for the semester. These hours must be made up in order to graduate from CMHS.

