



## Espirito Santo Parochial School

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*Attn: Grade 6*

### **What is Christian Community Service?**

Christian Community Service is any helpful activity that meets the needs of others. Community Service is to be done during the students' free time and with a spirit of willingness following Christ's example. The service card is to be used to record service opportunities that you have sought throughout the semester. Students must have at least **5** service hours per trimester (**5** hours in school, **0** hours out of school); hours the entire year. Most students will be able to fulfill their service hours at school (but not during class time) and at school activities but it is the students' responsibility to be sure the required hours are completed. All service outside of school must be preapproved by Mr. Raposo, **any outside service signed for without written pre approval will not be counted** if it is to be used to fulfill the Christian Community Service Requirement.

### **What Christian Community service is not?**

Babysitting, yard work, household chores, etc. for one's family or friends will not be credited as service. Being a relative or friend means generously assisting as part of the family relationship or friendship!

Students and parents should note that each trimester the service requirement is included on the report card, and will be marked as pass or fail. Students who have not completed and properly documented a minimum of hours of Christian Community Service on the report card or fail to submit a properly documented service card by the due dates will earn a "fail" on the report card and will be assigned eight hours of community service within the school by the principal regardless of the hours documented on any "late", "lost" or "incomplete" card. When the assigned service is completed, the grade will be adjusted. Parents and students are reminded that the Espirito Santo School Christian Community Service requirement must be fulfilled each trimester.

The Espirito Santo School Christian Community Service program is designed to foster the practice of Christian Service and is the students' responsibility. Students are reminded to be responsible for their individual service cards. It is in the best interest of the student to submit his/her service card as soon as *the* hour requirement is met. You may turn that card to Mr. Raposo, who will coordinate the program.

To accommodate the busy lifestyles of our students and their families, students are allowed to complete some of their service hours outside of school (pre approval required). Students who have fulfilled trimester and/or year requirement are encouraged to continue to give generously of their time and talents to serve the needs of others (students who have school service assignments are expected to honor this commitment the entire year, students may not quit after required hours are earned).

The service card is to be signed within one week of the time the service is performed. Service cards must be turned in on the due date and will not be accepted without signature of a parent. There will be no extension with the exception of legitimate absence in which case the card must be accompanied by a note from the parent. (If you give extra hours of time, please request a second card). Please remember that the Espirito Santo Community Service requirement includes proper documentation of service on the service card and following the policies listed above.

**The following are examples of service activities:**

School	Outside of School
School Sponsored Event Support	Parish Sponsored Event Support
Assist Teachers with Classroom Duties and Bulletin Boards	Working at the Parish Feast
Maintenance: Classroom Clean-Up and Set Up (regular classrooms and/or computer lab), Washing Blackboards, Restocking Supplies (copy machines and others)	Organized neighborhood cleanups (i.e. Flint Neighborhood Association)
Tutoring Younger Students After School: Reading, Math, and more!	Altar serving for Mass (At Espirito Santo or at your home parish)
Participate in School Choir (Year-Long Commitment)	Volunteering at a community center.
CCD Faith Formation Program Support (Year-Long Commitment)	Any outside opportunities you may be doing (See Mr. Raposo with any additional ideas)
Helping to Maintain School Gardens	Soup Kitchen (see Mr. Raposo)
Clerical Support (Distribute Teachers' Mail, Answer Telephone, Deliver Notices, etc.)	
Design Your Own . . . Collaborate with a faculty member to create a custom community service opportunity.	
Write and Distribute Press Releases for School Events	

I have read and understand the requirements of the Espirito Santo community service program as explained above.

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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