

SERVICE HOUR REQUIREMENTS 2017-2018

Dear Parents,

Please see below for service hour requirements for the 2017-2018 school year for grades 5 through 8.

One of the primary purposes of a Catholic School is the education of young people in the Ways of the faith. This education is a process that begins at our baptism and continues throughout our lives. Parents are encouraged to participate with their children in these service projects as role models of mature Christian adults. The classroom teachers will maintain service hour records.

Students may complete hours through the following activities:

- Assisting with PTO-sponsored events
- Working at Parish Events and functions (VBS, IHN, Fall Festival, etc)
- Assisting Scout leaders with special events
- Assisting teachers after school or at special events (such as Safety Patrol, Recycling Committee, etc)
- Students may perform other activities not listed that truly provide service to another, promoting the mission of our program – serving others as Jesus did.

Although service among family is a natural part of Christian life, qualifying service hours must be provided for people other than **immediate family members. To experience a variety of activities, students need to choose from at least **two** different areas (Parish/church, community, school, etc) in completing their required hours. All service hour forms must be signed by the event coordinator. **Unless the parent is the event coordinator, parent signatures will not be accepted.**

Below you will find the number of hours needed for next year and the point system used by teachers. Hours due in October may not be completed before the end of the previous school year. Likewise, the hours due for each due date may not have been completed during previous due date.

Grade	Total hours Required	Hours due October 5	Hours due Dec. 14	Hours due March 8	Hours due May 22
5th	12	3	3	3	3
6th	16	4	4	4	4
7th	20	5	5	5	5
8th	24	6	6	6	6

Service Hour Point System:

- 12pts per hour
- Late: 50% off the hours not turned in if late. It is a zero on the fourth day after the due date.
- 2pts off for no signature
- 5pts off for no reflection or loss of points for incomplete/ inadequate reflections
 - Teachers may have students correct the signature and/or reflection. However, those sheets turned in after the due date will lose points.

****SERVICE PERFORMED FOR IMMEDIATE FAMILY WILL BE RETURNED TO THE STUDENT AND WILL NOT BE COUNTED**