



**LAKE STEVENS HIGH SCHOOL
COMMUNITY SERVICE FORM AND INSTRUCTIONS**



This form must be fully completed and turned into the Student Center in order to receive credit for your required community service hours. Please remember to read the back of this form for Community Service requirements. Once you render this form to Student Center personnel, it will be evaluated for completeness and authenticity. Remember, you need to complete 45 hours of Community Service hours prior to graduating. **Do not wait until June** of your graduation year to complete your requirements.

Name: _____ Class of: _____ Date: _____

Number of hours to be verified on this form: _____

What is the name of the organization or event you volunteered for? _____

Why did you choose this project?

Dates and times of community service hours:

Describe how the community benefited from the activities that you performed while volunteering:

What new skills or responsibilities did you learn or practice?

How will this volunteer work help you in your future path either with school, college, or work?

Student Signature (*I have read the back of this form*) _____

Printed name and signature of the person in the organization responsible for your work? _____ Phone number) _____

Signature of organization supervisor: _____

Parent Signature: _____ (Phone number) _____

THIS FORM IS DUE TO THE LSHS COMMUNITY SERVICE SUPERVISOR BY April 10th OF YOUR SENIOR YEAR!!!!!!

What is community service?

- Community Service is voluntary work intended to help people in a particular area. Students learn and develop service skills through active participation in organized activities designed to improve the quality of life of community members or to help solve particular problems related to their needs.
- Community service fosters civic responsibility by providing you with the opportunity to involve yourself in a variety of enriching, useful, and practical experiences which serve the school and community.
- Through community service, you can learn new skills, assume responsibilities, become aware of the needs of others, and learn the importance of unselfish serving and giving. Community service links you to the wider community and exposes you to people and situations outside your previous experiences.
- As a part of the Viking Experience, students are required to complete 45 hours of community service before graduation.
- When choosing a community service experience, ask yourself this question: “How does the community benefit from my volunteer time?”

COMMUNITY SERVICE SHOULD BE COMPLETED THROUGH A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION OR IF A FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION MUST BE PRE-APPROVED BEFORE BEGINNING!

The following criteria describe community service hours that are accepted at Lake Stevens High School:

- Must be completed with a recognized non-profit organization and/or an organized event or if with a for-profit organization, must be **PRE-Approved (See instructions below)****
- Credit may begin the **last day of 9th grade** for incoming sophomore students
- Must be volunteer work only
- Cannot be used for class requirements including leadership points and extra credit
- **Cannot be completed for relatives or friends**
- Cannot be used for court required community service
- Student **MUST** dress appropriately and follow ALL school rules while serving community service.





Examples of **acceptable** community service hours:

- Any Non- Profit organization
- Working at an animal shelter
- Tutoring students as organized by LSHS or a specified organization, volunteering for a sports organization such as LSJAA
- Through a school club, joining a community service project such as the Walk-A-Thon for the March of Dimes
- Volunteering at any community outreach program, such as Goodwill, United Way, Boys and Girls Club, YMCA, LS Food Bank, etc

For profit organizations









Students will be permitted to serve community service with for-profit organizations on a case-by-case basis, you will need to turn in a “pre-approval form” to Mrs. Hopkins for review in the Learning Commons / Library.

* Examples of **acceptable For-Profit** organizations that do **NOT** require pre-approval:

 Nursing homes/adult family assisted homes	 Hospital	 YMCA	 Museums
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Examples of **For-Profit** community service hours that require **pre-approval**:

Must be associated with a potential Career Pathway~ Does this relate directly to your future career choice?

 Auto Repair Garage	 Real Estate Office	 Working with teachers (i.e. set up classrooms, bulletin boards, etc.)	 Nursing home/assisted Living Facility (dependent on type of work you will perform)
 Day Care Center	 Book store	 Any type of “business office”	 Physical therapy/chiropractic offices

**To obtain pre-approval of community service hours, for a profit-making business, you must fill out a Community Service Pre-Approval form and submit to Mrs. Hopkins, who will submit for review. If approved, you will receive your form back with notification of approval.

Examples of **unacceptable** community service hours:

- Working for your neighbors such as babysitting, yard work; tutoring your friend's brother (unless you are involved with an organization)
- Fundraising that benefits school club, sport activity, organization, or church for personal use, such as fundraising for a band trip to Disneyland, or a church trip to Wild Waves
- Participating in leadership class projects

Students are encouraged to perform at least 15 hours each school year to accumulate a total of 45 hours by their Senior year to complete their graduation requirements.