## **Skyview Middle School NJHS**Community Service Hours Ideas and Opportunities

## **Community Service Hours: Definition**

The definition for Community Service Hours for Skyview 2024-2025 is as follows:

Community Service Hours are those which are done for others, for which no compensation (monetary or otherwise) has been given. Students may volunteer within their own neighborhood or extended families/communities outside of normal chores or responsibilities, and they do not need to volunteer with official organizations.

## **Current Opportunities/Ideas**

- Skyview: EARN days during Fun Friday sign up on Schoology! If there are any available opportunities to volunteer at Skyview, it will be posted on the Schoology group. CHECK THE SCHOOLOGY GROUP FOR ANY CURRENT OPPORTUNITIES AS SIGN-UPS CAN GO QUICKLY!
- Community <u>Friends of North Creek Forest</u>: Volunteer work parties. Tools and work gloves are provided at the events. Activities may include invasive species removal, planting native species, watering new plantings, mulching and more! Family friendly! Volunteers ages 15 and younger must be accompanied by an adult, fill out a waiver, and RSVP on the <u>Friends of North Creek Forest</u> website. \*NOTE: This is not organized by Skyview. You must contact and arrange this opportunity on your own.
- **More Ideas?** Got another community service hour opportunity? Send it to tsubcleff@nsd.org and I will post it here.

## **More Ideas for Volunteer Hours**

- **Community Organizations**: If your family attends or is involved in a community organization like a nonprofit athletic team, scout troop, religious organization, etc., you may volunteer with your parental approval/supervision to help in some way (example: cleaning, organizing, setting up, fundraising, etc.)
- **Schools:** Many students reach out to elementary school teachers or current teachers to stay after school (must have approval and proper visitation check-in procedures). This is organized by students themselves and not an organized activity by Skyview Middle School NJHS.
- **Kindness Rocks or Motivational Chalk Messages:** Paint a rock with a positive drawing or saying and leave it around your neighborhood to brighten someone's day! See more information on the <u>Kindness Rocks Project here</u>. Similarly, write motivational sidewalk chalk messages in your neighborhood.
- **Garbage Walks:** Pick up trash/recycle in your neighborhood.

- **Good Neighbor Deeds:** Offer to mow a lawn, walk a dog, rake leaves, etc. for a neighbor in need *without* getting paid.
- **Tutoring:** With parental permission, help a younger student with homework virtually. This can count for volu nteer hours if you are not compensated (monetary or otherwise) and have an adult to verify your hours.
- **Create Your Own!** Think of your own service project or opportunity that would benefit someone in the community outside of your family. Have an adult verify your hours spent on your project. Questions? Email Ms. Subcleff at <a href="mailto:tsubcleff@nsd.org">tsubcleff@nsd.org</a>.
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