

September 2025 SSL Information for MCPS Students

Upcoming Districtwide SSL Opportunities



- **Councilmember Balcombe's Back to School Block Party (September 26, 2025)** - Councilmember Marilyn Balcombe invites middle and high school students to share their experiences in Montgomery County!
 - Participants will earn SSL hours for participation in this advocacy opportunity.
 - To learn more, please click on this [link](#).
- **ASIRT Road Safety PSA Contest (Deadline: October 5, 2025)** - The Association for Safe International Road Travel (ASIRT) and the Montgomery County Regional Student Government Association are hosting a Public Service Announcement (PSA) competition for middle school and high school students centered on road safety and how to keep yourself and others safe on the roads.
 - Participants who submit a PSA that meets the competition requirements will earn **10 SSL hours** and have a chance to win prizes.
 - To learn more, please visit this [link](#).
- **High School Students for Outdoor Education Assistance (Ongoing)** - Seeking HS students interested in assisting with the Grade 6 Outdoor Education program.
 - Please note that this is only an interest form – once you have expressed your interest, middle school staff members may contact you to share next steps regarding their selection process.
 - To learn more, please visit this link - https://montgomerycountymd.galaxydigital.com/need/detail/?need_id=1136384
- **High School Student Election Workers Needed (Deadline: June 2, 2026)** - The Montgomery County Board of Elections seeks students ages 16+ to register to vote and serve as a student election worker!
 - To learn more, please visit this link: https://montgomerycountymd.galaxydigital.com/need/detail/?need_id=1132488
- [Additional September 2025 SSL Opportunities](#)

Message to Share with Students and Families RE: SSL Opportunities

Student Service Learning Graduation Requirement

All MCPS students must earn 75 SSL hours to graduate from high school. Middle school and high school students should continue earning SSL hours towards their SSL graduation requirement by engaging in SSL opportunities during the 2025-2026 school year, including traditional in-person opportunities and select virtual/remote opportunities that follow the amended guidelines posted on the MCPS SSL webpage (www.mcps-ssl.org).

Please refer to important information about the MCPS SSL program provided below:



SSL Hours Documentation

- SSL forms for service completed after May 30, 2025, should be turned into the school's SSL coordinator by the recommended due date of September 26, 2025.
- Students who wish to submit SSL forms from previous school years must write an appeal to the school's principal outlining the circumstances for why the SSL form(s) were not turned in by the systemwide deadline. The school's principal will consider the information presented and make a final decision about the appeal.

To view **SSL forms and important due dates** for the 2025-2026 school year, please click [here](#).

Please note that all SSL forms for service completed during the summer of 2025 or the 2025-2026 school year should be submitted to the school's SSL coordinator on a rolling basis by the **recommended due dates of September 26, 2025, and January 9, 2026**, but **no later than the required deadline of May 29, 2026**.

To learn more about **how to complete the SSL form**, watch this video at <https://bit.ly/SSLForm101>

Student SSL Records on Student/ParentVUE

Step-by-step directions for viewing a student's full SSL record

Step-by-step directions may be found at <https://bit.ly/SSLonVUE>

Nonprofit-Hosted SSL Opportunities

MCPS SSL organizations and opportunities are tagged with the blue MCPS SSL banner and graduation cap icon on the Montgomery County Volunteer Center (MCVC) website

- **All opportunities (including in-person):**
<https://bit.ly/SSLOpportunities>
- **Virtual/remote opportunities**
<https://bit.ly/VirtualSSL2020>
- **Monthly SSL opportunities:**
<https://bit.ly/SSLOpps25-26>
- For additional tips on how to **search for opportunities**, please go to <https://bit.ly/SSLSearchTip>

MCPS Form 560-50:

Individual SSL Request Form

Used to obtain pre-approval prior to service with a nonprofit organization not listed on the [Montgomery County Volunteer Center \(MCVC\) website](#)

To request **pre-approval for service**, please complete

<https://bit.ly/SSLPreApproval>

- for **in-person service**, submit this form to your school's SSL coordinator
- for **virtual/remote service or service to be completed during the summer**, submit this form to SSL@mcpsmd.org

MCPS Form 560-51:

SSL Activity Verification Form

Used to verify and document SSL hours after service is completed. Student and supervisor must complete the form

SSL Activity Verification Forms

(<https://bit.ly/SSLReflection>) for service completed should be turned into your school's SSL coordinator. **(All SSL forms for service completed during the summer of**

	<p>To learn more about how to complete this SSL form, watch this video at https://bit.ly/SSLForm101</p>	<p>2025 should be submitted to your school's SSL coordinator by the recommended due date of Friday, September 26, 2025.)</p>
	<p>MCPS SSL Hub for Students <i>Find SSL forms, translated resources, SSL guidelines, and much more!</i></p>	<p>Check out SSL forms, resources, guidelines, and much more at our new MCPS SSL Hub for Students -- https://bit.ly/SSLHubMCPS</p>
	<p>MCPS SSL Program Overview <i>Complete overview of SSL requirements, guidelines, process, awards, and forms</i></p>	<p>MCPS SSL Program Overview may be found at https://bit.ly/SSLOverview2020</p>
<p>If you have any questions about the SSL program during the summer, please email the MCPS SSL office at SSL@mcpsmd.org. Thank you!</p>		