

BBHS Service Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What types of organizations are eligible for service hours?

A: Only 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations recognized by the State of Washington qualify for service hours.

Q: How do I know if an organization is a nonprofit?

A: Most schools and churches are considered nonprofit organizations. To look up the status of an organization, click on the [Tax Exemption Organization Search](#) tool provided by the IRS. Students are also welcome to reach out to Ms. Dampier with any questions.

Q: Can I earn service hours by helping neighbors, family members doing chores at home or virtually?

A: No, service hours cannot be earned from helping family members or completing household chores. (But students should definitely help out and do their chores!)

Q: Can I earn service hours through fundraisers or auctions?

A: Yes, but the limit is 5 service hours per year for fundraisers and auctions.

Q: How many service hours can I complete on a school day?

A: Students may complete up to 4 service hours on a school day, but these have to be done outside of school hours.

Q: How many service hours can I complete on a non-school day?

A: Students may complete up to 8 service hours on a non-school day.

Q: Can I earn service hours for an independent service project?

A: No, you can not earn service hours for independently organized projects, such as making and distributing food at home.

Q: Who can verify my service hours?

A: A supervisor from the approved organization must verify your hours; family members cannot verify service.

Q: Do I need to complete a reflection for my service hours?

A: Yes, all students must complete the reflection provided in MobileServe to receive credit for their hours.

Q: Can I earn service hours during school hours by missing class?

A: No, students are not allowed to miss school to complete service hours.

Q: Why haven't my service hours been approved?

A: It's usually because you are missing a verification component (GeoTag, photo of yourself, supervisor verification etc.) or you entered an email for your supervisor that was not verified.

Q: What if I'm unsure whether an activity qualifies for service hours?

A: Please check with the service coordinator before starting the activity to confirm eligibility.

Q: How do I submit my service hours?

A: See information provided on the Service page of the school website and in the Bishop Blanchet handbook for details on how to submit service hours.