

## Community Service

Roosevelt's motto is Enter to Learn, Leave to Serve. In a normal school year, you would have heard this at least a few times by now. **The expectation is that each student does a minimum of 20 hours of service (volunteering) each year.** If you want to hammer them all out in one year, that's ok, just so you get to 80 before graduation. At graduation you will receive a service seal on your diploma. The student with the most service hours also receives a scholarship from the RHS Foundation. You will need experiences on college and first job applications, so not only are you doing something amazing for your school and community, you are doing something to help yourself as well.

**How do you get hours?** During a typical school year, we have ample opportunities to meet the 20 hours: recycling club, student ambassadors, spirit committee, Operation Holiday Basket, theater productions, Pancake Breakfast, sporting events, etc. We have students who go on mission trips over the summer, volunteer at camps, hospitals, libraries, local parks being coaches, at their old middle schools, food shelves, etc. You can shovel a neighbor, clean up your community, cut the grass for Grandma, tutor a sibling, anything you don't get paid for. However, anything that involves a sibling or babysitting for anyone can only be counted for a total of 20 hours. I realize that we have to be creative because of our circumstance right now and am perfectly willing to chat with your student to figure it all out.

**How do you submit hours?** Students are required to self-submit. If it's for an agency or entity, you can get a statement on letterhead and turn into Christol at [CSchultz@mpls.k12.mn.us](mailto:CSchultz@mpls.k12.mn.us) while we're on Distant Learning. If it's in the community, a note from who you helped with a phone number. If you participate in a sport or club, I will grant one hour per quarter for involvement but that also has to be self-reported. When we are back in school, you can pick up slips from my office to get signed as well. I believe in the honor system and that's worked pretty well so far.

When are the hours due? I would prefer that hours are turned in as you complete them or quarterly. BUT all hours MUST be turned in by the Friday after spring break their senior year for graduation recognition.