

SERVICE AWARD INSTRUCTIONS AND GUIDELINES

2020–2021 Volunteer Service Awards

Service Awards

President’s Volunteer Service Award

National award that recognizes the contributions of volunteers who have demonstrated outstanding volunteer service and civic participation over the course of a 12-month period.

Campolindo High School Service Award

Recognizes students with significant volunteer service hours short of national award levels.

Age Category Award Levels

Award levels are earned by service hour totals **based on the student’s age during the 12-month period reported**. Students with service hours both before and after turning 16 may consider reporting only those hours served up to their 16th birthday in order to qualify for the Teen (under 16) category.

Age Category	Campo Service Award	President’s Volunteer Service Award		
		Bronze	Silver	Gold
Teen (age 11–15)	20 hours *	50-74 hours	75-99 hours	100+ hours
Young Adult (age 16-25)	20 hours*	100-174 hours	175-249 hours	250+ hours

*For 2020-2021, the Campo Award required minimum hours have been reduced to 20 due to the Covid pandemic. The required hours will return to 30-49 for Teens and 30-99 for Young Adults in future years.

**The Presidential Award is a federal program and CHS is not authorized to adjust the required hours.

Instructions

In order to receive a service award, a complete application package must be dropped off in the attendance office or scanned and emailed to campovolunteering@gmail.com after March 21, 2021 and no later than April 9, 2021.

Each application package must contain:

1. Completed **Service Award Application**
2. Completed and signed **Service Verification Form for each organization served**, including
 - a. Supervisor name, contact information, and signature
 - b. Daily log for service time periods greater than one week

Please do not record hours on the President’s Award web site.

The annual service award ceremony will be held near the end of the school year.

Email campovolunteering@gmail.com with any questions.

Qualifications

- All hours by age category must be in a 12-month period and not overlap with prior award time period.
- Service hours must be unpaid and must not earn school credit.
- Service hours must not include court-ordered community service.
- Service hours must be for an organization that is U.S./Puerto Rico-based. Service outside the U.S. can qualify if the service is for a U.S./Puerto Rico-based organization.
- The President's Volunteer Service Award is awarded only to U.S. citizens and legal residents; there are no residency restrictions to earn the Campolindo Service Award.

Clarifying Examples and Guidelines

Service hours must serve a community; extra-curricular activities for the student's benefit do not count.

Qualifying Service Examples	Non-qualifying Service Examples
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Peer Tutoring (not for school credit or a grade) ✓ Campo clubs focused on Volunteer Service ✓ Campo Sports Med Volunteering beyond class requirement ✓ Garden or other community garden work ✓ Contra Costa Food Bank ✓ Habitat for Humanity ✓ Monument Crisis Center ✓ Boy Scout & Girl Scout Volunteer Service ✓ Hospitals ✓ Museums (Chabot Space & Science Center) ✓ Special Olympics ✓ Search & Rescue ✓ National Charity League or Boys Team Charity ✓ Mission Trips (Org must be based in the U.S./Puerto Rico) ✓ Voter Registration ✓ Youth Sports Programs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✗ Court-ordered community service ✗ Any hours that are paid ✗ Religious instruction ✗ Religious worship ✗ Peer Tutoring for a grade ✗ Sports Med Volunteer hours required for class grade ✗ Volunteering outside of the U.S. for an organization based outside the U.S. or Puerto Rico

Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, National Charity League, Boys Team Charity, Lion's Heart, etc. - Only active volunteer hours count. Hours for meetings, events, buy-outs, and financial donations do not count. Hours worked by others supporting your project do not count.

Youth Sports Programs - volunteer hours actively working with children in the program count. Set up and clean up hours do not count.

Performing Arts (Drama/Choir/Band) - Most performance time is considered extra-curricular and does not count. Performing at a community event or fundraiser for free (e.g., Lafayette Fun Run) count if there is no school credit and no payment. Performing at church or a school musical is considered extra-curricular and does not count.

Camps - Students volunteering at an overnight camp should only include hours in which they are actively working. Meals, sleeping, and non-active volunteer time does not count.

Religious Organizations - Activities benefiting those outside the religious organization are eligible (e.g., food banks, Winter Nights shelter) while activities benefiting the religious organization or considered extra-curricular (e.g., choir, youth group, altar boy/girl) do not. Any hours involving religious instruction or conducting worship service do not qualify.

Mission Trips - Only active volunteer hours count. You may not include hours spent traveling, sleeping, eating, team-building, etc.

Service Dogs or Fostering - Only hours spent actively training your service dog count; hours in which another person is assisting do not count. Some local organizations (ARF, Berkeley Humane Society) will approve 3 hours per day for animal fostering.

Political Activities and Voter Registration - Political lobbying or campaign work does not qualify. Non-partisan voter registration is eligible.

Supervisor Approval - Service hours must be approved by the organization for which the student volunteers. Parents may not approve their own child's service hours.