



# CLARKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

## COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS

### Purpose

The purpose of the community involvement is to encourage students to develop awareness and understanding of their civic duty to the welfare and common good of others.

### General Information

Although it would benefit all students to participate in service/volunteer projects, beginning with the freshman class of 2013-14, all students pursuing the Alabama High School Diploma with Advanced Endorsement, will be required to complete 80 hours of service/volunteer hours by May 1 of their senior year. It is recommended that students complete at least 20 hours/year.

- Students may begin working on these hours anytime after entering the 9<sup>th</sup> grade.
- Although they may be documented, students will not receive more than 20 hours per organization toward the required 80 hours.
- Volunteer efforts prior to that time cannot be accepted as part of required hours.
- Activities must be completed outside of class time and cannot be part of the requirements for fulfillment of a credit course.
- Students cannot be paid for activities.
- Students must consult with parents to select appropriate community projects.
- Students should perform all projects to the best of their ability in a respectful manner that demonstrates positive work ethic.
- The following list of organizations/agencies typically welcome volunteers. We hope that this helps to develop ideas for your projects.

Animal shelters  
Chambers of Commerce  
Charities  
City Government  
Nursing/Retirement  
Museums

Cultural Centers  
Daycare Centers  
Elementary or Middle Schools  
Religious Organizations  
Libraries  
Zoos

Parks  
Political Organizations  
Recreation Centers  
Civic Organizations  
United Way Agencies