Student Name:

Community service, also known as volunteerism, is donated and unpaid work for the common good where one helps those who are in need. Within the community of North Haven, there are many clubs, organizations and philanthropic groups dedicated to helping others who are in need of special assistance.

## What are acceptable forms of community service?

Activities that will be considered as community service must be for a non-profit organization or business, unless the organization or business is involved in a humanitarian-based project or mission.

*Common examples include*: Volunteering for a non-profit organization, working with patients in a hospital/retirement setting, assisting with the town on a community project, the town's recreational department, volunteering at a soup kitchen, or a specific club event that goes beyond the club's requirements for membership and aims to help others or a purpose.

**Unacceptable examples include**: Working for a profit-making company (except as noted above), raking a neighbor's lawn, serving as a manager for a sports team, coaching or training for a profit-making league, fundraising for a club or sport, or any activity required for membership in a specific club, sport or religious event (ex: requirements for Boy Scouts, Honor Society or confirmation).

## Step 1: The pre-approval process

**ALL** community service opportunities (included recommended sites) must be submitted to the school's Community Service Committee for approval before the service begins. Please print this form, fill it out, and submit it to the main office. If approved, you will then receive your approval form back with the site-supervisor form attached. **Please note the service hours will expire after a year if not turned in on time.** 

Name of organization or group: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization/group address: \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor's name and title: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor's phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

In a short response, please answer the following: What you will be doing, what you expect to get out of this experience, and how this opportunity fits the above definition of community service (You may attach an additional sheet if necessary)