

Parental Consent to perform Community Service

I, (parent:) _____, the parent of (student:) _____, give permission for my child to participate in the alternative homework assignment of volunteering community service hours at work sites approved by my child's Civics teacher. I understand that to receive 100% credit for the bi-weekly homework assignment, my child must volunteer at least one hour of community service and fill out the Student Service Verification form to be turned in by the second Friday (when the homework would be due). **It is up to the student to schedule the volunteer time with their supervisor in advance to be performed outside of school hours as a help and not a hindrance to their work.**

I also understand that my child has the option of completing a Current Events/Political Cartoon Analysis assignment instead of volunteering one hour of community service for the same amount of points, due on the same second Friday.

Parent Signature

The teacher must approve the work site for volunteering hours. Examples of organizations that would be acceptable as sites would be any non-profit or government organizations that supply services and community needs where there is a supervisor overseeing the work. School club activities (not just their meetings) sponsored by Interact or Builder's Club would qualify with the sponsor of the club being the supervisor. Doing work assisting a teacher (before or after school) would also qualify. Being part of a project or service run by a religious organization to help the community would be another acceptable option (Christmas shoebox project, for example).

The following activities would **NOT** qualify for this volunteering homework assignment: doing chores around the house or individual work in the community, any activity unsupervised or any job for which you are receiving compensation. Any work done related to for-profit companies also does not qualify.

There is an expectation of honesty assumed in this assignment, so that you are logging the correct amount of time and the supervisor is being truthful about your work. The supervisor is also expected to take a photograph of the student doing the work, which will be attached to the assignment.

Both sides of this form must be completed, signed and returned to the Civics teacher in order for me to approve a work site for you to do service hours as a homework substitute. I will not accept a Student Service Verification form for homework if I do not have this permission slip on file, or if I never approved the work site. You only need one parental consent form on file for the year.

Thank you.

Robert Trifu
7th Grade Civics Teacher

Work Site Approval Form

Name of the Organization benefiting the community:

Supervisor name and contact number:

What kind of work would you be doing?

How would your volunteer work serve the community?

Your Civics teacher will notify you if this was approved or not.