

**Sturgeon Bay High School
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Community Volunteerism Program

Why is volunteering important?

Volunteer work identifies you as a person who is involved in your community, committed to giving time for the well-being of others, and experienced in real-world issues.

Students who volunteer have an edge whether seeking employment, applying for colleges or technical schools, or competing for limited scholarships.

What opportunities are offered to me by volunteering?

- Test your learning in the real world.
- Work with some of the community's skilled leaders and professionals.
- Learn about some of society's needs, issues, and problems.
- Explore a career possibility.
- Enhance employability by gaining work experience and references.
- Obtain an edge for scholarships.

Is volunteering required of me?

In order to earn a Sturgeon Bay High School diploma, students must complete 40 hours of community volunteerism. Volunteer hours will be noted on the transcript.

How do I participate in the Community Volunteerism program?

1. Obtain a Community Volunteerism packet from the High School Office.
2. Work as a volunteer for a non-profit community organization.
3. Request that your site supervisor complete the Experience Evaluation form.
4. Write a one-page summary of your volunteerism experience. Be sure to address these questions in your summary:
 - a. What were the duties of your volunteer role?
 - b. Why did you choose this particular activity to satisfy the volunteer requirement?
 - c. What did you learn from your volunteer work?

5. Return your Experience Verification form and your one-page summary to the High School Office.

Where can I volunteer?

All area churches	D. C. Memorial Hospital
All area schools	Feed My People
Altrusa	Headstart
American Cancer Society	Rotary International
Relay for Life	Senior Center
American Red Cross	Dorchester
Boy and Girl Scouts	United Way
Clothe My People	Volunteer Center of D. C.
Dept. of Social Services	YMCA

Are there any limitations on volunteer activities or supervisors?

Church or religious organization volunteer activities must be more than ushering duties. Valid activities include working for meals or festivals, teaching religious education, etc.

A parent/guardian, relative, or family member may not be your volunteerism supervisor.

Who keeps track of my volunteer hours and paperwork?

A record of your volunteer hours will be kept in the High School Office. After completing 40 hours, a notification will be placed on your high school transcript.

You should also keep track of your volunteer hours, and keep copies of all completed forms.

Where can I get more information on the Community Volunteerism program?

For more information, please contact any of the following:

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