

NHS Service Guidelines

2009-2010

All service performed between June 4, 2009 and Aug 2, 2009 is eligible for summer recognition.

All service performed between Aug 3, 2009 and April 5, 2010 is eligible for NHS annual service requirements.

Community Service	CRHS Service	Not NHS Service
15 hours to unlimited	up to 10 hours	your own reasons; not eligible for NHS
Going on a mission trip with your religious group. You can count up to 8 hours per day of labor.		Playing in your worship band, teaching religious school, serving as a greeter, during an event, or in any other way serving your own congregation ...even if it is old or young members. Youth camps, even if you are a counselor are not considered community service unless there is a mission component. Only the mission/outreach work counts.
Carrie's Heart, Red Cross, Project Linus, Amigos de las Americas, road cleanup, and other outreach efforts – some of which are sponsored by clubs at Cinco Ranch HS.	Assisting UIL events at high school or junior high in a non-fundraising capacity	Work that benefits a school organization directly...such as fundraising. Work for which you receive credit from another organization, including ones dedicated to charity work.
Helping disabled kids play baseball in the Challenger leagues		Work at a concession to raise money for a youth sports league
Volunteering at a nursing home, shelter, or community outreach organization on your own.		Counting hours that are volunteered at these entities on behalf of another organization and receiving membership credits or recognition from NHS and the other organization. (Check with the sponsors on this one!)
Working elementary school carnival fundraisers		Working high school booster club fundraisers
Working at Merrill Center events posted on the NHS Bulletin Boards.	Working at CRHS events posted on the NHS Bulletin Boards.	Work for another school organization, even if you do not belong to that organization, unless the event is posted on the NHS Bulletin Board.
Helping babysit at elementary school parent events.		Babysitting friends or family members or neighbors.

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	Tutoring CRHS students following the Tutoring Guidelines posted by NHS.	Tutoring that does not fit within the NHS Guidelines; tutoring by NHS members who are not on tutor list. Tutoring on Wednesdays for Mu Alpha Theta.
Tutoring Williams elementary kids through the MVP		Tutoring a friend or neighbor
Helping a disabled person or elderly community person with household tasks or reading.		Reading or doing housework for a disabled family member or friend. (You should do that because of your relationship. It is not "community" service.)
Helping a neighbor with cancer with yardwork		Helping a friend move
Highway cleanup, neighborhood recycling efforts that are not for profit, participation in environmental groups.	PTSA events; garage sale, Folk Life festival, etc.	Collecting recycling on campus during class hours. (See sponsors about after school recycling efforts.)
	Roundup, textbooks, registration, Fish Camp	Representing another school organization at an event.
Assisting with fundraising for an established charity or outreach group.		Raising funds for a campus based group, including project graduation, senior class, sports team, etc...
Volunteering with established volunteer programs related to hospitals, government entities, or corporate outreach.		Doing "more" of your internship or working with your parents at their place of employment.
Mentoring or tutoring during advisories		"Double dipping" - counting mentoring/tutoring hours toward multiple organizations.
All service opportunities that are posted on the bulletin boards and websites will count for hours.		If you are not sure if the service opportunity will count for hours, check with a sponsor before recording the hours. Do the service anyway! The point is to become servants...not just to accumulate hours.