



COMMUNITY CONNECTION

Community Connection Volunteer Program Goal, Objectives, Outline and Procedures

Goal: To promote community involvement by serving the needs of others

Objective:

- To create social/civic responsibility among students.
- To involve community members in the high school program.
- To meet community needs through school assistance.
- To augment and expand existing community programs -- not replace them.
- To assist in transitioning students from the world of school to the world of work.
- To assist with student Portfolio/Scholarship development.

Program Outline:

- This program is optional.
- This program is open to freshman, sophomores, juniors and seniors with varying guidelines per grade level.
- Community projects may not include present programs where credit is being granted (e.g. student government or yearbook). The student may earn no monies for their service in this project.
- Community project proposals must be approved by the panel prior to the commencement of the project. Proposals must be on file with the career resource advisor prior to starting hours.
- Students will be rewarded/recognized in various ways. Upon completion, students will receive a certificate and a medal representing their community service at Eagle River High School.
- Students are to present their typed proposal to a panel of two / three adults comprised of a minimum of two faculty members and, if possible, a member from the service organization.
- A successful completion will include at least ten to forty hours of work (depending on grade level) with verification in writing.
- Community projects, including all supporting materials, must be completed and approved by April 27, 2007.

Procedure:

- Students are to initiate any needed contact of a person, organization, or business of their choice and discuss and agree to the nature of their community service and the extent of their involvement.
- Students are to obtain names of faculty interested in serving on panels and a program application from the Career Resource Center.
- The student's proposal must be presented to the panel of two / three adults who must approve it unanimously. Included in the proposal must be the name of a contact person in the student's chosen organization and completed answers to the who, why, why and where. It is the responsibility of the student when setting up his/her community service to present a copy of the program's application for appropriate signatures and expectations.
- Students are responsible to complete the required number of hours of service required by grade level and on completion present their journal reflection to the panel of advisors and a poster (standard poster board size 22" x 28") (optional for freshman and sophomores) that visually represents their experience. Group projects are appropriate, but each participant must submit their own application, contact hours and poster. Presentations should be done as a group.

ERHS COMMUNITY CONNECTION

Overview

In the fall of 2006-2007 Eagle River High School will embark on a new endeavor in an effort to build continuity between students and the community. All ERHS students will have the option to participate in this community volunteer program within the guidelines set forth by the CRC. This is a unique opportunity as it offers students and business leaders to come together for the greater good of the community. It is a win-win for all since students will have the opportunity to gain experience, establish relationships and develop an exclusive portfolio. In turn, community leaders gain unpaid assistant and the prospect of establishing relationships that fosters community.

The minimum number of community service will range from 10-40 hours depending on the students grade level. Procedures and guidelines are outlined in the application. Applications will be accepted from September 14, 2006 – January 31, 2007. Volunteer time will only be validated after the application is completed and on file.

The application will be kept on file until the student completes the required hours, journal and poster. Upon completion, students will pick up their application up from the CRC so they can conduct their *exit interview* by the deadline date, April 27, 2007. The completed application, documented contact hours, journal, poster and advisor assessment should be returned to Mrs. Pawloski. If all requirements are met, students will be recognized for their volunteerism and devotion to their community.

Thank you for your interest in this worthwhile project. The selfless contributions of time and the relationships established will no doubt have a lasting impact on our students. For further details, please contact Mrs. Pawloski at 742-2752 or pawloski_pam@asdk12.org.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: November 3rd – January 31st

PROJECT COMPLETION DEADLINE: April 27, 2007





Student Reflection

INSPIRATION

Briefly explain what motivated you to do your volunteer work. How did you come up with the idea for your activity? Who or what inspired you to get involved? How did your volunteer activity begin? Why did you feel it was important?

EFFORT

Briefly explain the effort required to do your volunteer work. What exactly did you do, and how did you do it? What steps did you have to take to accomplish your goal? Did you recruit others to help, or work with any local or national organizations? If yes, explain. What was the most difficult part of your activity?

IMPACT

Briefly describe what your volunteer activity accomplished. Who benefited, and how? How many people were involved or directly affected? If your activity involved fundraising, how much was raised? Will your project continue in the future?

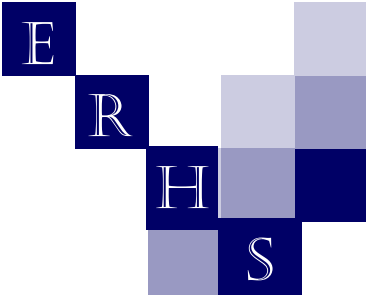
PERSONAL GROWTH

Briefly describe what you, yourself, got out of volunteer work. What did you learn from your experience? Did you acquire any new skills? What was the most memorable part of this activity: Can you recall a specific incident that made you feel particularly good about volunteering? What would you tell other young people about your experience?

Students,

Your journal is an excellent resource and format to use for your presentation.





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Student Application

I, _____, agree to the terms and conditions of this community project. I will meet all obligations set forth to the best of my ability.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Sponsor

I, _____, agree to participate in this community project and have met with _____ to discuss the goals and expectations of the student and our organization.

Community Organization _____

Address _____

Contact person _____ Phone _____

Sponsor Signature _____ Date _____

Advisors

We, the undersigned, after reviewing the students proposal, agree that it meets all the assigned requirements.

ERHS Faculty or Sponsor _____ Phone/Ext. _____

Signature _____ Date _____

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Signature _____ Date _____

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Proposal and application must be turned in to Mrs. Pawloski (CRC) before any volunteer hours are completed.



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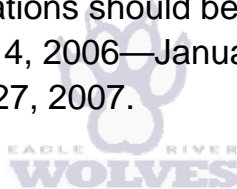
Applicants Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____

Procedures and Guidelines:

- ◆ Read over the procedures, guidelines and expectations.
- ◆ Students are to initiate contact of a person, organization, or business of their choice and discuss and agree to the nature of their community service and the extent of their involvement. Binder for volunteer opportunities in the CRC.
- ◆ Students are to obtain names of faculty interested in serving on advisory panels that will assess your entry and exit interviews.
- ◆ Arrange to meet with your panel of advisors for your proposal interview.
- ◆ The interview proposal will consist of the 4 W's (Who,What,Why,Where).
- ◆ The student's proposal must be presented neatly to the panel of two / three adults that must approve it unanimously. Included in the proposal must be the name of a contact person in the student's chosen organization.
- ◆ It is the responsibility of the student when setting up his/her community service to present a copy of the program's application for appropriate signatures and expectations.
- ◆ Students are responsible to complete the required number of hours of service required by grade level.
- ◆ Upon completion, arrange a time and place to meet with your advisory panel for your exit interview. Community service member may want to attend, you may invite them.
- ◆ Your final project will consist of a 3-5 minute presentation based on your reflection journal, a 22" X 28" poster (optional for Freshman and Sophomores), and documentation of your hours of service.
- ◆ Group projects are appropriate, but each participant must submit their own application, contact hours and poster. Presentations should be done as a group.
- ◆ Application accepted: September 14, 2006—January 31, 2007.
- ◆ Project completion deadline: April 27, 2007.



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Student Application

Proposal

Please provide your project overview. This is what you will present to your advisory panel at your (entry) proposal interview.
Briefly answer the 4 W's (Who, What, Why, Where).

