

April 30, 2009

Dear 2009-2010 6th, 7th, 8th graders and parents,

All 2009-2010 Middle School students are invited to join Holy Family School's voluntary Service Program. Each student in the program must:

- ◆ complete a total of 12 hours of service for the year. The year can begin during the summer and **end May 15, 2010 (all hours must be turned in on or before this date!)**. *****At least one hour is required in each of the four categories: home, school, community, and church*****. The remaining hours can be added to any category.
- ◆ complete as many hours as you choose but an adult signature on the form is required for hours to be documented. A form to record hours is available.
- ◆ perform service for which you do not receive anything in return. Payment, allowance, time toward a badge or other recognition does not qualify for these service hours.

Some examples of service are:

Home: any special service over and above the normal expectations of family at home

Church: any project or program at the diocesan parishes; participating in roles of ministry church services; helping with clean-up of the grounds; helping with parish Bible classes or summer vacation school; working at the parish picnic (sign up as volunteer with your parish for the event)

School: helping at any of the special programs such as Book Fair, etc.; volunteer at the summer FunFest, help with set-ups or take-downs for programs; help in the library

Community: helping a neighbor with raking, lawn cutting, walking the dog; volunteer work at the library, Humane Society, food pantry, homeless shelter or any community-wide project.

If you have difficulty in fulfilling the hour in any of the four areas, please contact the principal. We will help you!

At the end of the year students who have completed the 12 hours or more as outlined above will be recognized with a certificate for that year. A cumulative certificate with a seal for each year that the program has been completed will be kept in the student's file and recognized with a special service pin at the awards ceremony in 8th grade.

Thank you for considering participation in Holy Family School's Service Program. The world is a better place because you choose to make a difference! Jesus sends us forth at the end of every Mass with "*go in peace to love and serve the world.*"

Sincerely,
Mrs. Otto

HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL SERVICE HOURS

CHURCH

COMMUNITY

HOME

SCHOOL

Student Name _____

Category	Date	Describe the service	Time	Supervisor Signature
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Student Signature/Date

12 HOURS WITH A MINIMUM OF 1 HOUR IN EACH CATEGORY REQUIRED FOR COMPLETION IN THE SERVICE PROGRAM

THIS FORM MUST BE RETURNED TO YOUR HOMEROOM TEACHER AT THE END OF EACH QUARTER. ALL HOURS MUST BE IN BY MAY 15 (OR THE FRIDAY BEFORE IF THE 15TH FALLS ON A WEEKEND) TO BE COUNTED FOR THIS YEAR!

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