



Cumberland County Public Schools

Service Learning & Volunteerism



What is it?

Service Learning :

Learning that actively involves students in a wide range of experiences, which often benefit the community and support the curriculum.

CuCPS Volunteerism Goals

- Grades 2-4 5 service hours per year
- Grades 5-8 8 service hours per year
- Grades 9-12 10 service hours per year*

*CHS students who accumulate 100 or more hours in their high school career will be awarded a red, white, and blue cord for graduation.

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(born 384 B.C.) once said, "The essence of life is to serve others."

Statistics Show

25%

Only 1 in 4 Americans volunteer. (Corporation for National & Community Service)

27%

Those who volunteer regularly have a 27% better chance of gaining employment. (University of Birmingham)

60%

60% of hiring managers see the act of volunteerism as a valuable asset when making recruitment decisions. (Career Builder)

86%

86% of millennials, who rarely or never volunteer, believe that business success should be measured by more than profitability. 77% of them cite citizenship as important (Deloitte Insights survey)

Sample Service Projects



Helping with the Food Pantry



Assisting Habitat for Humanity



Helping the local animal shelter



Visiting nursing homes



Assisting community organizations

Student Benefits of Volunteerism

- Provides opportunity to earn a digital badge.
- Helps build a professional portfolio.
- Gives students an opportunity to help their community.
- Allows for the development of leadership, time management, and social skills.
- Provides an opportunity to get involved outside of school and make new contacts.
- Makes students more desirable to colleges and increases eligibility for scholarships.
- Increases self-confidence and feelings of self-worth.



New Course: "Dukes Discover"

CuCPS now has a class in social entrepreneurship, in which students develop novel applications to solve community-based problems.

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