Community service is unpaid work performed by a person, or group of people, for the benefit and betterment of their community without any form of compensation. Below are the details surrounding the community service hour requirements:

- Starting with the class of 2023, students must complete 5 hours of community service per year as a graduation requirement. (Class of 2023, 5 hours required; Class of 2024, 10 hours required; Class of 2025, 15 hours required; Class of 2026, 20 hours required)
- All community service hours must be logged. Log sheets can be printed off-site, or obtained in the high school office.
- Students earning 40 or more total hours of community service will be eligible to receive an honor cord to be awarded during the student's senior year graduation festivities.
- Students must complete and return all community service log forms before May 1st of their senior year. Community service hours may begin to accrue the summer prior to a student's freshmen year. (For 10th-12th graders, community service hours completed during the summer months of 2022 may count, if logged and submitted appropriately.)
- Students who enroll at any point in the district after the first semester of their freshmen year, the requirement will be prorated to equal 2.5 hours for every full-semester that the student is enrolled.
- Log sheets must be turned in to the high school office for processing.

Ideas / Opportunities for Community Service Hours (this list is not to be considered the only way for students to acquire community service hours.)

- Raking yards for disabled or senior citizens in the community
- Cutting lawn for disabled senior citizens in the community
- Grocery shopping or performing other tasks for disabled or senior citizens in the community
- Participating in parades (band, cheer, sports, clubs etc.)
- Participating or volunteering time youth camps or practices (sports/clubs/organizations)
- Helping out at an animal shelter
- Helping out at a food pantry/soup kitchen
- Help a neighbor or a community organization spruce up (clean, paint, repair, build)
- Write and send letters to a senior center
- Make birthday cards for children in a shelter
- Volunteering at a community center
- Volunteering at the Lion's Club (or one of their events)
- Volunteering with a Rotary Club
- Volunteering at the United Way of St. Clair (or any county chapter)
- Volunteering at Kids in Distress
- Volunteering at Community Foundation Services of St. Clair County
- Volunteering at Blue Water Habitat for Humanity (or any HFH organization)
- Volunteering at The Humane Society of St. Clair County (or any county)
- Volunteering to clean up in and around the community (school grounds, parks, etc.)
- Volunteering at Memphis Elementary (field day, winter carnival, or other school events)
- Tutoring others
- Organizing a donation or a collection drive (IE: Collecting Halloween candy and sending to deployed service members; collecting used books to donate to a library; collecting socks/hats/gloves to donate to a community organization etc.)
- Making blankets or clothes for a shelter
- Host a community education event (such as internet safety, safe driving, blood drive etc)

Community Service Hours Log Sheet

To be completed by student

STUDENT: _____

GRADE: _____ **PHONE**: _____

DATE(S) OF SERVICE:_____

TIME SERVICE STARTED:_____ / **ENDED**:_____

TOTAL SERVICE HOURS (can be reported as hours or minutes) _____

NAME OF ORGANIZATION WHERE SERVICE WAS COMPLETED / ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION: _____

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PRINTED NAME OF PERSON WHO OVERSAW SERVICE HOURS / SUPERVISOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITY:_____

SIGNATURE:_____

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For Employee Use Only

Date Community Service Hours were entered:_____

Name of Staff Member who Entered Hours:_____

Signature of Staff Member who Entered Hours:_____