

## GTCHS Student Service Hours cont.

### Service Hour Timeframe:

- Returning students may work on service hours year-round.
- Student hours do roll over to the next year (and only the next year); students are required to have a minimum of 50 hours per year in order to be eligible to participate in extra-curricular activities and to march at graduation.
- Incoming 9th graders and new students may begin logging hours starting on June 1st.

### Student Service Hour Documentation:

Community service hour logs are due no later than the third Friday in May.

Students will receive Community Service Hour Logs from their Advisor. Students are individually responsible for keeping track of their service hours on the Community Service Hour Log Sheet.

If a student attends a school event offered for credit, they should get their program or ticket signed by an administrator or teacher at the end of the event, then turn it into their advisor.

### What if we do not accumulate 50 hours?

If a student does not fulfill the community service requirement, that student will not walk at graduation. Hours are to be kept in your student's file and will be totaled at the end of 4 years.

### Student questions about Service Hours:

Students should direct questions to their Advisor or to the Assistant Principal of Student Services.



# Community Service Hour Guide

## Students & Parents

Effective 2016-2017 School Year



## Greenville Technical Charter High School

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## GTCHS Parent Service Hours

The success of GTCHS depends greatly on parent involvement. We ask that parents donate 1 hour of service per week for each enrolled family. Each parent(s) is asked to volunteer on behalf of the school a total of 36 hours.

### Parent Service Opportunities:

- The Charter Café, working the breakfast or lunch shifts
- School beautification
- Helping with a school-sponsored event
- Sports or Club assistance
- Providing snacks to the Smart Center
- Volunteering by mentoring a student
- Office assistance for mailings
- Carpool

To sign up for these opportunities and more, please visit our website at [www.gtchs.com](http://www.gtchs.com) and select the SignUp Genius link (click the lightbulb icon in the upper right hand corner of the website)

### Donations are also accepted to fulfill parent volunteer hours:

- Ink cartridges
- Reams or Boxes of copy paper
- Office & school supplies *\$10 worth of donated items = 1 service hour*
- Monetary donations *\$10 monetary donation = 1 service hour credit* (donations to the annual appeal are not considered community service hours)

### Parent Service Hour Documentation:

Please be prepared to report your parent service hours each spring. Information will be sent at that time via the Weekly Warrior and through advisory.

### Questions about Parent Service Hours:

Please direct any questions for volunteer opportunities to Suzanne Foody at [sfoody@staff.gtchs.org](mailto:sfoody@staff.gtchs.org).

## GTCHS Student Service Hours

In an effort to foster civic responsibility and engagement and to prepare our students to be well-rounded community members, students are required to complete 50 hours of service annually. At least 10 of these hours should be in school volunteering.

### Student Service Opportunities:

- Helping a teacher or staff member
- School-wide community service projects offered
- Attending school-sponsored fine arts
- Tutoring
- Yard work (excluding family members or able-bodied neighbors)
- Teaching Sunday School or assisting with other church activities
- Helping at a soup kitchen or food bank
- Volunteering at a hospital
- Working at an animal shelter
- Volunteering at a community event (ex. Fall for Greenville, United Ministries Walk for the Homeless, etc.)
- Volunteering at a nursing home (ex. Senior Action)
- Mission Trip up to 25 hours
- Carpool driver up to 10 hours (excludes family members)

**In general, service should help someone who is in need and can not help themselves**

### Hours that do NOT meet Service Hour Guidelines:

- Any activity for which one was paid
- An activity completed for family members (including grandparents, aunts, uncles, siblings, parents)
- Any activity receiving academic credit
- Donations of supplies, paper, etc. to the school

### Service by grade-level through Advisories:

In our Advisories, we ask each group to choose a community project or service. This is another opportunity to acquire service hours.