

# **Briarcliff High School - Community Service Log Sheet**



	Grades 9/10: Ms. Rutl	edge	Grades 11/12: 1	Ms. Guida
PRINT - Student Name (last)		(first)	Gradu	nation Year
Check the g	rade year that you would you l <b>Grades 9 – 11 are c</b>	ike to apply these community service hou lue June 1 <sup>st</sup> Grade 1	rs? (Only check one)  2 is due April 15 <sup>th.</sup>	
	Grade 9	Grade 10 Grade 11	Grade 12	
	Form is signed and completed: 1  Grades 9/10: crutledge@bi	olease scan and email it to the coordinator riarcliffschools.org Grades 11/12:	for your grade. <a href="mailto:dguida@briarcliffsch">dguida@briarcliffsch</a>	ools.org
✓ Chec		are you have proper Community Service as re		
Date(s) of	Service Recipient's	Brief detail of service hours completed.	de the year the servi	Adult Recipient/Supervisor
Service	Name plus phone or email	Do not use abbreviations/acronyms.		Signature
		Total # of hours submitted on	this form	
Parent's sign	ature	Date		

#### Why community service?

The New York State Compact for Learning states that "members of the community help children gain maturity and responsibility by affording them opportunities for service." Mandating community service each year provides opportunities for students to explore and develop career possibilities, discover relevance to school learned skills, and cultivate distinguishing factors on college applications. Community Service allows students to be contributing members of our community each year while discovering more about their own interests and talents.

### What constitutes community service?

Some examples of community service are organizing or working:

- At a soup kitchen, food pantry or other charitable organizations and events
- With the aged, the impoverished, the physically or developmentally disabled
- At a community event (including school, town) for an important/needful cause.

In other words, community service is time volunteered which benefits *those in need*, a community, or its non-profit constituents. Community service is not simply working (nor performing) without pay to benefit a for-profit business or company, helping your family or others, providing a service for *people with the resources to help themselves*, or training required for later employment. For example, it is not...

- Acting as a receptionist for a family or other for-profit business
- Walking the neighbor's dog and/or shopping and cleaning for the same.
- Training or internship without pay at a commercial business.

## WHEN IN DOUBT, CONTACT THE COORDINATORS FOR CLARIFICATION AND APPROVAL

### How many hours are required?

Each student must complete **8** hours of community service per year, for each of four years. One quarter (1/4) credit will be assigned to students each year, upon completion of their service, commencing with ninth grade. This enables our students to experience the benefits of volunteerism all four years. Therefore, you may not "pay forward".

## Where can I get a form, and to whom do I submit?

- Log sheets are available in the guidance office, main office, and on the BHS website. (Forms > High School > Community Service Form)
- Completed log sheets with verifying signatures of the service recipient and a parent/guardian must be scanned and emailed to their Community Service Coordinators: Ms. Diane Guida (Junior/Senior) at dguida@briarcliffschools.org or Ms. Christina Rutledge (Freshman/Sophomore) at crutledge@briarcliffschools.org
- Seniors must submit their forms by April 15<sup>th</sup>. Freshman, Sophomores, & Juniors must submit their forms by June 1<sup>st</sup>.
- A Community Service grade of Pass or Fail will show on the year-end report card and transcript. This service credit is a requirement of graduation.

## What do I do if I am having trouble figuring out what to do for community service?

- Check your school email as the coordinators will frequently email opportunities as they arise in the community.
- Check your Community Service Teams account to find some opportunities.
- You may also email Ms. Guida or Ms. Rutledge to set up a time to meet.