

# CISD Success Scholar Community Service Program

At Carroll High School and Carroll Senior High School, community service is considered an important part of a student's high school education. The CISD Board of Trustees authorized the district's Success Scholar Program as a way "to reconnect students to the world of work."

To receive CISD Success Scholar recognition upon graduation, a student must take a more rigorous academic course load and complete 100 hours of community service.

Please refer to the CISD Course Description Handbook for further details about the Success Scholar academic requirements.

In addition, certificates are awarded at the end of the school year to those students who accrue forty or more approved community service hours during the school year.

Students may begin earning Success Scholar community service hours in the summer after eighth grade.

Students who transfer into the Carroll ISD can earn their Success Scholar designation on a pro-rata basis, depending on when they entered the district. Sophomores need only earn 75 hours, Juniors need only earn 50 hours, and Seniors need only earn 25 hours to complete the community service portion of the Success Scholar program. ***Academic requirements for students who transfer into the district after the freshman year must be discussed with a Guidance counselor.***

The two main guidelines used by the Community Service Board for students and parents to follow as to what activity qualifies for the Success Scholar Program are:

- the organization is a non-profit agency
- the student shall receive no pay, academic credit, award, or any other compensation for the hours earned

Other guidelines include activities that **do not qualify** for consideration:

- services required for the student for redress or recompense (for example, mandated teen court service to dismiss a ticket)
- activities for which the student receives direct benefit (for example, fundraising for a sporting activity)
- activities during the student's school day
- activities for which the student is paid or compensated
- activities that benefit a for-profit organization or business

## How do I get started?

1. Visit your school Guidance Office.
2. Ask for the **yellow** Community Service Student Log Card for logging in your hours.

**A copy of this card may also be downloaded from the example on Page 3 below.**

(If you are unsure if the agency is approved, ask for the **blue** Community Service Approval Form. This form can be completed to request approval before the hours are served by the student.)

3. Talk to your family about how you can best serve your community. Many families work together as volunteers.
4. As you complete a community service activity, fill in your yellow form and get all the required signatures.
5. Make a copy of the form for your records.
6. Turn card into Community Service Box located in your Guidance Office.
7. Your hours are posted monthly on the bulletin board outside the main office of your school.

Remember - Only those hours performed by a student, without pay or compensation in approved non-profit organization activities will qualify for the CISD Success Scholar Program and year-end recognition.

## The Carroll ISD Community Service Student Log

<b>1. Student Information: (Completed by Student)</b>		
Student Name:  Did you transfer into the district after 9 <sup>th</sup> grade? Yes___ No___	Current Grade:	Graduating Class of 20_____
Address:		Phone:
City:	State:	Zip:
Student Signature: Today's Date:		
Parent Signature: Today's Date:		

<b>2. Activities Performed: (Sponsor Signature Required)</b>				
Student and/or Sponsor Fills Out This Portion			Sponsor Fills Out This Portion	
Date Activity	Name of Organization	Describe Activity	Sponsor Signature	# of Hours

Remember To Keep A Copy of This Card For Your Records

What are some of the already-approved community organizations?

**Agape / Slab**

Soup kitchens, shelter, blanket drives

**Arts Council of N.E. Tarrant County**

**Christmas is for Children**

**Church activities**

Non-religious in nature, e.g. building churches or homes, blankets for homeless shelters, upkeep of building, general office work, visiting nursing home residents, mission trips

**City of Southlake**

Parks & Recreation, office work in city offices

**Coaching**

Organized school and association sports teams

**Crisis Pregnancy Center**

Repair donated items, maintenance

**G.R.A.C.E.**

Sorting clothes, canned food drives

**Habitat for Humanity**

Carpentry, repair of houses

**Grapevine Senior Center**

**Health Organizations**

American Cancer Society, American Heart Association, United Way, etc.

**Hospitals**

Youth volunteer programs

**Keep Southlake Beautiful**

Organized trash pickups

**Keller Senior Center**

**Libraries**

Shelving, check out books, summer reading programs for children

**Metroport Meals on Wheels**

Delivering meals, volunteering at fundraisers

**Political campaigns**

(Excluding relatives' campaigns) stuffing envelopes, phone banks, distributing signs

**Public Television**

**PTSO**

Project Graduation, first day packets, craft fair

**Schools** (Must be done outside of school day)

moving furniture and supplies, manning booths for open house, assisting teachers, tutoring through National Honor Society or teacher referral

**Scouting**

Eagle Scout programs, assisting pack leaders, helping at summer camps

**Southlake Sister Cities**

**Southlake Youth Action Commission**

**Southlake Senior Center**

Meals on Wheels, senior center events

**Tarrant County Food Bank**

Fundraisers, food drives

**Teen Court** (Excluding mandated service for redress/recompense)

juror, bailiff, attorneys

**Women's Clubs and Community Organizations Including:**

Altrusa, Southlake Women's Club, Lion's Club, Rotary Club

Questions?

Ask your Guidance Counselor

or

email your question to CISD Success Scholar boardmember Chris Zapatka at  
[cszap3@charter.net](mailto:cszap3@charter.net)