

# Strengthening Service as a Core Value at All Saints Academy

## *Forming Saints to Serve All*

From pre-K through 8<sup>th</sup> grade, ASA students are expected to increasingly demonstrate their “love for neighbor” by serving others. Service is one of ASA’s core values and is a part of life both outside and within school. As a parent, you are encouraged to assist your child to meet yearly expectations for service at their designated grade level:

pre-K-3<sup>rd</sup> Grade: 1 hour

4<sup>th</sup> Grade: 2 hours

5<sup>th</sup> Grade: 3 hours

6<sup>th</sup> Grade: 5 hours

7<sup>th</sup> Grade: 10 hours

8<sup>th</sup> Grade: 20 hours

- Saint Francis of Assisi Society: 8<sup>th</sup> graders must log 30 or more service hours.
- Saint Teresa of Calcutta Award: 8<sup>th</sup> graders must log 40 or more service hours.

When students have completed a service activity, please help them complete the [Service Hour Log](#). This form can also be found on the [Forms & Documents page](#) on our website.

### **What might service hours look like during 2020-2021?**

Everyone’s comfort level is going to be different in regards to engaging in community service this year, and many normal opportunities are simply not available right now. For this school year, we have assembled a list of low (or no) contact service ideas for ASA students and families. This list is not exhaustive, so if you have an idea not listed here, simply contact [Abby Giroux](#) or [Michael Debri](#).

- Write letters/cards for veterans, nursing homes, public servants, pastors, seminarians, your parish homebound list, or someone in the hospital
- Do extra chores around the house to earn money to make a donation to charitable organizations like HELP Pregnancy Crisis Aid, Catholic Charities of Michigan, Special Olympics
  - HELP needs: Diapers sizes: newborn, 5 & 6, and Baby washcloths and towels
- Decorate lunch bags for Kids Food Basket
- Do extra chores around home (not for money) or for a neighbor: Volunteer to rake leaves, shovel a neighbor’s walkway, walk a dog etc.
- Pray for others or a special cause (intercessory prayer) - 4 rosaries prayed equals 1 hour of service
- Be involved in parish volunteer projects like the St. Jude Adopt a College Student Program; contact your parish for other ideas
- Participate in virtual events like the Virtual Bridge Run or Franciscan Life Process Center Virtual Run with the Nuns
- Help sanitize after weekend Masses at your parish