

Community Service Hours High School Elective Credits

All high school students enrolled at Elite Academic Academy have the opportunity to complete up to 180 hours of unpaid community service for a non-profit agency, for 10 total elective credits. 90 hours of Community Service equals 5 elective credits. Therefore, 45 hours of community service equals 2.5 elective credits for high school students. This can include volunteering at the school. These hours may be completed in grades 9 through 12. **Community Service is added to the student's transcript as "Credit" and does not count toward their GPA.**

NOTE: LATE LOGS ARE NOT ACCEPTED. LOGS ARE DUE EACH LEARNING PERIOD.

The student needs to:

- Contact an agency to determine if the agency has a non-profit tax status (Schools, government offices and libraries are examples).
- Arrange with the personnel staff there to work at regularly scheduled times.
- Determine the appropriate clothing for the volunteer site and duties.
- Each time the student completes hours toward Community Service please ensure the Log is signed by all parties. Complete the reflection on your Log each learning period.
- Turn in the signed log for each learning period to your Elite Educator. Once the set amount of hours have been completed for credit, your Elite Educator will report the credits on your Report Card.

Additional Information:

- Students who have volunteered through a religious organization to participate in a strictly nondenominational outreach (beyond the members of the church) activity that focus on providing assistance to disenfranchised individuals or groups of individuals for the sole purpose of providing some type of relief (food, clothing, housing, financial assistance, etc.), not to include the dissemination of religious literature, may receive HS elective credit for Community Service.
- Chief Student Development Officer or designee may review, upon request, the merit of activities that do not strictly follow the above guidelines.
- If you aren't sure, please ask. Don't assume what will and or won't count toward Community Service hours.

Unacceptable Placements (for profit):

- Veterinarians' Offices- but animal rescue organizations are acceptable.
- Private Schools
- Medical Doctor or Dentist Office – unless this is an outreach service such as County Health.