

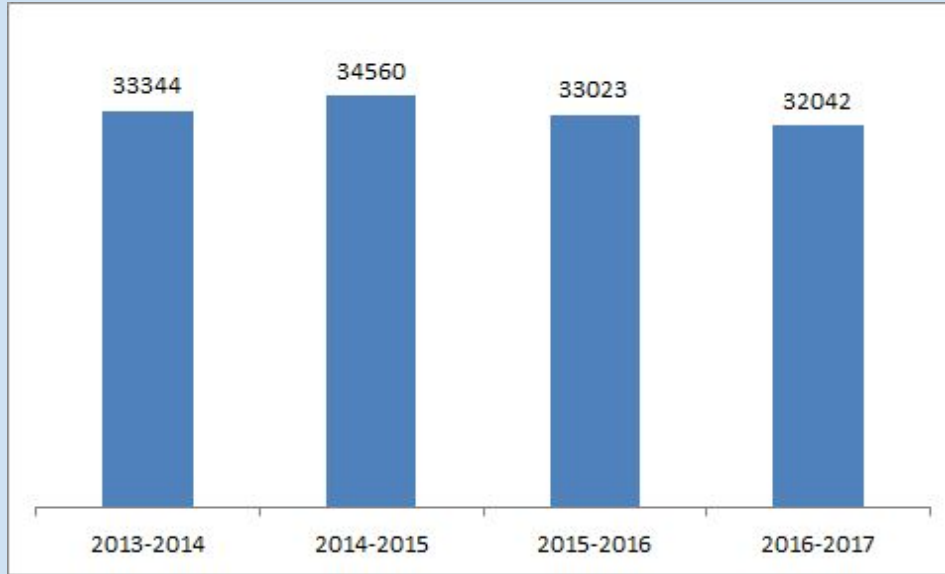
Community Service

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Benefits of Community Service

- The willingness to commit time and effort to assist others is a character trait that is valued by colleges and employers.
 - Moorestown High School students are *not* required to complete community service hours for graduation.
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School-Wide Community Service Hours



Moorestown students have accumulated more than 400,000 hours of reported service to others since the inception of the Moorestown High School Community Service Council in 2003.

Request to Record Volunteer Hours Form

- Students must submit their *Request to Record Volunteer Hours* forms to the appropriate bin outside of the classroom/office of their grade-level advisor:
 - 9: Ms. Bell (Guidance)
 - 10: Mr. Hurley (C104)
 - 11: Ms. Everett (A225)
 - 12: Dr. Tortu (A263)

MHS Community Service Council
Request to Record Volunteer Hours
2018-2019 Service Year

In order to receive credit for community service hours, students must complete this form and submit it to the appropriate grade-level advisor by the specified deadline(s). Students should submit hours immediately following their service activity. The 2018-2019 service year at Moorestown High School will be from May 1, 2018 through April 30, 2019.

Students must submit their Request to Record Volunteer Hours forms to the "COMPLETED" community service form bin outside of the classroom/office of their grade-level advisor:

Freshmen: Ms. Bell – Guidance	Sophomores: Mr. Hurley – C104
Junior: Ms. Everett – A225	Seniors: Dr. Tortu – A263

For service completed from . . .	All forms must be turned in by . . .
May 1, 2018 – September 30, 2018	October 5, 2018
October 1, 2018 – January 31, 2019	February 8, 2019
February 1, 2019 – April 30, 2019	May 3, 2019

The MHS Community Service Council advisors tabulate the total hours for each student for transcript recognition and the annual recognition reception. Transcript recognition begins at 40 hours per service year and is increased in units as follows: 40+ hours, 60+ hours, 80+ hours, 100+ hours, 200+ hours, 300+ hours, and 400+ hours.

*Please refer to the *Program of Studies: 2018-2019* or the MHS student handbook for additional information.*

Student: _____ Date(s) Performed: _____

HR Teacher: _____ Graduation Year: _____

Sponsor/Supervisor: _____

Name of Organization: _____

Brief description of service activity (required): _____

Total number of hours served *: _____

***If this number is greater than 25, student MUST provide detailed documentation of dates and times during which the service was performed. Attach additional sheets as necessary.**

***Forms submitted without adequate documentation will be returned to the student unrecorded.**

***Travel to-and-from your service activity does not count towards service hours.**

I certify that the student served the number of hours shown above.

Signature of Sponsor/Supervisor

Email Address or Telephone Number of Sponsor/Supervisor

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- **Service Year:**
 - May 1 - April 30
- All *Request to Record Volunteer Hours* forms are due no later than **May 3, 2019.**

Types of Community Service

Students can record...

- **Direct community service activities**
 - Tutoring, participating in social activities at a senior center, volunteering at a public library/animal shelter, etc.
- **Indirect service activities**
 - Participating in charity events such as Relay for Life, American Red Cross Blood Drive, etc.
- **Providing religious education/Volunteering at a place of worship**
- **Service-related trips**
 - Ex. Appalachian Service Project
- **In-Kind Donations**
 - Students will be awarded 1 hour of service for every 4 items donated (school supplies, clothing, food items, etc.).
 - Maximum: **10** community service hours per service year for in-kind donations

Students may not record...

- Hours associated with an **internship**
- Activities that a student receives **compensation** (wages, stipend, etc.)
- **Job shadowing**

INTERNAL SERVICE RECOGNITION

- **Transcript Recognition**
 - Transcript recognition begins at 40 hours per service year and is increased in units as follows:
40+ hours, 60+ hours, 80+ hours, 100+ hours, 200+ hours, 300+ hours, and 400+ hours.
- **Chenille Service Letters & Certificates**
 - ***Outstanding*** Level of Service
 - 50 - 99 hours in a service year
 - Certificate and chenille service letter
 - ***Exceptional*** Level of Service
 - 100+ hours in a service year
 - Certificate and chenille service letter
 - Students will be recognized at the Underclassmen Recognition Reception (typically held in November).

Additional Community Service Awards at MHS

Cumulative Service Awards

- The MHS Community Service Council will honor the students who have recorded cumulative service hours that are within the top 10%, 5%, and 1% of their graduating class.
 - Top 1% (SENIORS ONLY) - Students will receive an engraved pendant, similar to a departmental award, which notates "Devotion to Service."
 - Top 5% - star
 - Top 10% - bar

Distinguished Service Award (DSA):

- Students will be honored with a plaque for successfully recording 4 years of 100+ hours of service.

EXTERNAL SERVICE RECOGNITION

President's Volunteer Service Award:

- Students that successfully record 100+ community service hours in a service year will also be honored with the President's Volunteer Service Award (PVSA).
 - Bronze - 100+ hours of service
 - Silver - 175+ hours of service
 - Gold - 250+ hours of service



Scholarship Opportunities:

- Many students have been awarded scholarships based on their dedication to serving others.
- Ex: Joe Laufer College Scholarship
 - (2) - \$7,500 scholarships
 - (3) - \$5,000 scholarships

Urban Challenge Club

- **Community service student organization** that focuses on Camden, NJ.
 - Coordinates clothing drives and food drives
 - Volunteers at the Cathedral Kitchen
 - Volunteers at the Anna Semple House Women's Shelter & New Visions Homeless Day Shelter
 - Volunteers at Camden Day Nursery
- Meets every **Thursday** during 12th period (A227).
- **Advisor:**
 - Ms. Siegel - A227

Interact Club



Advisors:

Ms. Bell (Guidance)

Mr. Hurley (C104)

Ms. Everette (A225)

Dr. Tortu (A263)

Meetings:

Tuesdays (IT) during 12th period

- **Community service student organization**
 - Sponsored by Rotary International
- **Raises over \$10,000 annually for non-profit organizations through several major events:**
 - Powder Puff Flag Football Tournament
 - American Red Cross - 4 blood drives
 - Soup for the Soul
 - A cappella for Autism
 - DREAM 5K
- **Provides weekly list of volunteer opportunities to student members:**
 - MoorArts
 - Cycle for Survival (Breakfast with Santa)
 - Family Fun Nights at MTPS elementary schools
 - Strawbridge Lake Beautification Project
 - Food for All
 - Save the Environment of Moorestown (STEM)
 - Moorestown Public Library

Additional Volunteer Opportunities

- Many Moorestown High School students volunteer with the following organizations in Moorestown:
 - **Live Civilly:** <http://www.livecivilly.org/volunteer/>
 - **Moorestown Parks & Recreation:** <http://www.moorestown.nj.us/253/Parks-Recreation>
 - **Perkins Center for the Arts:** <http://perkinsarts.org/get-involved/volunteer/>
 - **MoorArts:** <https://www.moorarts.org/how-you-can-help>
 - **Moorestown Library:** <http://www.moorestownlibrary.org/volunteering/>
- The **Volunteer Center of Burlington County** also has a teen volunteer directory:
<http://www.volunteercenterburlingtoncounty.org/content/teen-volunteer-opportunities-directory>



QUESTIONS?