

# Service Learning Guidelines and Ideas

**\*\*NOTE:** These are suggestions only. KMS does not endorse any of the following organizations. Always contact outside organizations first for volunteer requirements (such as age or availability). If you come across an organization that is no longer available, or you would like to see an organization added to the list, please contact [Jensen.emily@brevardschools.org](mailto:Jensen.emily@brevardschools.org). **Organizations MUST be nonprofit.**

**General guidelines for volunteer hours:** Students must be addressing a social problem (such as those listed below). If your student is thinking about a particular activity, ask yourself- is this activity helping the community? Is the activity to be performed actively helping to solve this problem? Is the work being done for a nonprofit organization? If the answer is yes, the activity will most likely be approved.

## Examples of social problem areas:

- Animal Care (domestic)
- Child and Family Care and Counseling
- Cultural, Artistic, and Historic Outreach
- Disabled Citizens Care and Services
- Disease Prevention, Treatment, and Research
- Elderly/ Medical Care
- Environmental Preservation
- Homelessness, Hunger, and Poverty Relief
- International Aid and Relief
- School, Literacy, and Educational Support
- Veterans Support and Relief

## The following is a compiled list of places where KMS students have volunteered.

- Activities through religious or school organizations
- Keep Brevard Beautiful (beach cleanups)
  - <http://keepbrevardbeautiful.org/>
- Kiwanis Club Festivals
- Serving meals to homeless—through church or local food pantries.
- Viera Community Center
- Viera Little League or similar organization (NO CONCESSION STANDWORK!)
- Teen Court
  - <http://www.sa18.state.fl.us/page/teen-court-peer-court.html> (13+)
- Cocoa Beach Library (6<sup>th</sup> grade+)
- Pelt's daycare
- Rockledge Nazarene Academy
- Harmony Farms (13 +) working with horses
  - **\*\*If close to 13 they will consider volunteering**
  - [www.harmonyfarmsinc.com](http://www.harmonyfarmsinc.com)
- Any elementary school festivals (Fall Festival, Quest Fest, etc.).

### Hours that will NOT be accepted:

- Anything the student receives monetary compensation for.
- Any activity where the parent is the supervisor.
- Any activity that does not directly help the community
  - If a student cannot explain how it helps the community, the hours may not be accepted.

**\*Remember,** the purpose of the volunteer hour component of the program is to help the Cambridge students become good citizens and contribute to society. They should understand how what they are doing contributes to the greater good.