

Townsend Junior High School Makes a Difference Service Learning Recognition

"Everyone can complete five hours!"

At Townsend Junior High School, we believe that ALL students can have an impact on their school, in their community, and ultimately their world. In recognition of time and effort in service, students may earn various awards throughout the school year. The qualifications for each award are as follows:

Service Award of Merit

Certificate Awarded for a minimum of five hours of documented service to **school, community or world** one time annually in the grading period it was earned.

Service Award of Distinction

Certificate awarded for a minimum of fifteen hours of documented service to **school, community or world** one time annually in the grading period it was earned.

Service Award of Honor

Certificate awarded for a minimum of thirty hours of documented service to **school, community or world** one time annually in the grading period it was earned. Medal awarded at the end of the school year.

Special Recognition for Most Service Completed

Medal awarded for most annual accumulation of documented service to **community and world** at the end of the school year.

To receive recognition for service hours, a student must do the following:

- Record the event on his / her Service Learning Record (extra copies available in the office)
- Include the date completed, a description of the service; indicate service to school, community or world; include time spent in **hourly increments (partial hours should not be included)**
- Calculate total hours completed in service to school, community and world
- Provide signature and contact information for adult supervising the service completed
- Provide Parent and student signatures before submitting the service for credit
- Turn the Service Learning Record in to the office by the designated date announced for each grading period

Service Learning Record Example:

Date of Service	Description of Service	Check off Type of Service			Time Spent Completing Service	Adult Verification Signature & Contact Information
		Service to School	Service to Community	Service to World		
10/11/17	Helped Custodians Set up chairs before school	X			1 Hour	Mrs. Supervisor Supervisor@gmail.com

School Service Ideas for Junior High Students

- Ask a custodian or teacher if they need help before or after school
- Volunteer to clean up the cafeteria tables after school
- Pick up trash or scrape gum around campus
- Offer to tutor another student at lunch or before or after school

Community Service Ideas for Junior High Students

- Visit a Local nursing home and read or talk to the elderly
- Call the library and volunteer to help shelve books or tutor or read to younger children
- Call local elementary schools and volunteer to help teachers in classrooms or tutor or read to younger students
- Call pet rescues and offer to walk dogs, clean kennels or foster an animal
- Collect blankets and towels for a pet rescue
- Clean up your local neighborhood or park
- Volunteer with the police department to clean up graffiti
- Collect canned food, clothing, toiletries or toys in your neighborhood for a homeless shelter
- Volunteer to babysit for FREE for a neighborhood family
- Make blankets and collect stuffed animals for foster children
- Volunteer at a soup kitchen or food bank
- Make care packages for military
- Check with your religious organization for opportunities

World Service Ideas for Junior High Students

- Sponsor a beach clean-up day with your family and friends
- Participate in planting trees where needed
- Choose a global charity and raise funds for it
- Help raise funds for families living in poverty
- Organize recycling / repurposing in your neighborhood
- Organize fundraising to help sponsor a well to provide clean drinking water overseas

