



Brother Joseph Miggins Service Program—Covid-19 Edition

The 2020-2021 school year will see adjustments in many areas not the least of these is the Brother Joseph Miggins Service Program. Normally students are required to engage in direct service to and alongside those in need. Unfortunately the current pandemic will limit the opportunities for the Christian Brothers Academy students and staff to do that. **For this year only**, the following changes have been made to our service program:

- Any service that benefits others in need will be counted toward your minimum hours.
- Due to the limitations on service opportunities during the pandemic the minimum required service hours will not change as scheduled. Instead they will remain Freshmen 10 hours, Sophomores and Juniors 15 hours and Seniors 10 hours.
- Students are still required to serve a non-profit organization. Service hours will not be given for service to relatives/friends or for paid work no matter how meaningful.
- Service Proposals will not be required for the 2020-2021 school year. If you have any questions about your service you should email Mrs. Szablewski for guidance.
- Some of the suggested service opportunities (letter writing to nursing homes, veterans etc.) may make completion of the verification form difficult. Contact Mrs. Szablewski before beginning the service. In some cases a photo of the letters being sent, goods being mailed etc. will be accepted in lieu of a signature.
- Students are expected to be honest when reporting service hours. We are trusting our students not to inflate service time served. As men of integrity, we are confident that you will faithfully and honestly report your hours even when working on service at home.
- Basic guidelines for service that may need additional guidance—delivery of donations to an agency (1-2 hours), donations of goods that require some preparation at home (maximum 3 hours), Student Advocacy work (approx. 2 hours—must submit copies of emails and a brief reflection). Only 2 hours of advocacy work can count towards fulfilling the service requirement.
- **Students must complete a service verification form for each service organization. If multiple days/weeks of service are done, students can keep a service log and attach it to one service verification form.**
- In addition to Mrs. Szablewski, our Campus Minister, Mr. Matt Butler and Lasallian Youth Co-Moderator, Mr. Saverino, are good sources for service opportunities.