



Y.E.S. PROGRAM

Community Service Program and Contract

Dear Students:

One of the distinctive characteristics of the United States is our conviction that each individual can make a difference through volunteer service. This is reflected in the recent trend of colleges asking for community service involvement as one of their criteria for acceptance. The Y.E.S. Program provides our students with the opportunity to get involved through voluntary service at the local level and to make a difference in their own neighborhoods and communities.

The Program works as follows: participation is voluntary and students may not be paid for any service they perform. The required hours must be fulfilled only with a non-profit agency or an individual in need (non-family members). Please review all the guidelines concerning what is and is not acceptable. If you have access to the Internet, Dulles High School has a web page. The address is <http://www.fortbendisd.com/dhs>. Under Clubs find Y.E.S. and all needed documents are under Resources. There are copies of the form to take to your volunteer service, the guidelines, and this letter/contract located in the Resources. There is also a website that can assist you in finding volunteering opportunities. The address is www.volunteermatch.org. Otherwise, other opportunities will be provided as links on the DHS YES website. Only 25 total summer hours can be credited to the required hours. Beginning with graduating class of 2007, students will be required to perform 100 hours of service. Also beginning with graduating class of 2019 all Math and Science Academy students at DHS will be required to complete 25 hours per year, 12.5 hours per semester.

Prior to the service, the student should download a service form from the DHS website. At the completion of the service, the form should be completed by the student, signed by student's parent or guardian, and signed by the appropriate person with the program or agency documenting the number of hours worked. Then the student should go to [DHS YES program](http://www.dhsyesprogram.org) website to enter their service details and drop off the completed form to the front desk. Make sure to make **a copy for your records before submitting the forms**. Students need to keep track of their total hours served.

Students must turn in their hours within two weeks of completion of the project. If the student does his/her service on a weekly basis, he/she must turn in a sign-in sheet/log from the agency. **If at any time during this process, a student has falsified documentation, his or her name will automatically be removed from the program.**

We are very excited about the Y.E.S. program and hope that you will choose to be a part of it. If you have any questions, please visit the Y.E.S. website and select Contact to send an email to support@dhsyesprogram.org.

I understand that to fulfill the requirements for Community Service, I must complete the required hours before the completion of my senior year. If you are a senior, your hours will be due by April 1 of your graduating year. You should also verify your total submitted hours by this date. This is so we can order the medals and have the names for awards night.

Student Name _____ ID# _____ Graduating Year _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

PLEASE MAKE A COPY OF THIS FOR YOUR OWN RECORDS

(Completed forms may be delivered to the Y.E.S. table in the cafeteria on Wednesdays.)