



President's Volunteer Service Award

SMHS 2019-2020



The President's Volunteer Service Award was established by the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation to honor Americans who inspire others to engage in volunteer service by their demonstrated commitment and example. The Award recognizes individuals who have achieved the required number of service hours over a 12-month period. Recipients receive a pin, a certificate, and a letter signed by President Trump.

Instructions:

1. Review the rules on the other side of this sheet of paper.
2. Maintain your service log from March 29, 2019 through March 27, 2020.
3. Whenever you are turning in your log sheet,
 - a. Attach this Cover sheet *completed* filled out.
 - b. If this is a portion of your hours, please indicate that on the form.
4. Last day to turn in forms is March 27, 2020.

Criteria:

	Aged 15 & Under	Age 16 & Over
Gold Level	100 hours or more	250 hours or more
Silver Level	75 to 99 hours	175 to 249 hours
Bronze Level	50 to 74 hours	100 to 174 hours

Name you want on the Certificate: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Grade ('19-'20): _____ Age on March 29, 2019: _____ Birthday: ____/____/____

Total Hours attached: _____ Have you turned in other log sheets this year? ___Yes ___No

	YES	NO
1. Do your activities qualify? Review the Rules for details.		
2. Did you list each day separately, or provide a signed official report or certificate? Did you clearly indicate activity performed and time spent?		
3. Is each entry or certificate signed by a supervising adult?		
4. Is camp counselor, mission trip, and travel time limited to 9 hours per day?		
5. Did you sub-total each page? Did you total all hours for this cover sheet?		

If you have any questions, please email the SMHS PTSA at SouthMeckHSPTSA@gmail.com.



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RULES:

1. Be certain your activity qualifies. Volunteering is an altruistic activity, delivered without payment or personal benefit, intended to improve the welfare of others, such as planning or participating in service activities with schools, hospitals, libraries, clubs, and community organizations.
2. The PVSA rewards volunteer service only, not personal development or charitable contributions. These criteria are not the same as scouts, honor societies, and other groups. Examples of activities that **do not** qualify as PVSA service ours include:
 - a. Donations to Supply Drives
 - b. Participating in races, walkathons, overnight 'famines', etc., except time spent planning such events.
 - c. Non-Volunteer activities, such as Youth Group or Club meetings, except time spent during those meetings planning or participating in a service activity.
 - d. Non-Volunteer activities such as training, administration, approval meetings, research, etc., required by a Scout group or other organization to earn an achievement award (e.g. Eagle). Include only time spent on the actual service activity.
 - e. Court-ordered community service.
3. Recipients must be United States citizens or lawfully admitted permanent residents of the United States.
4. List each day on a separate line with activity performed and time spent. For example, if you spent 20 days volunteering as a tutor, include 20 lines.
5. Include specific descriptions – for example "Sorted shelter donations" instead of "Community Service" or "Meeting to plan consignment sale" instead of "Team Leadership Club meeting".
6. Maximum allowed hours for camp counselor, mission trip, travel time, etc., is 9 hours per day. Time spent sleeping, eating, socializing, etc., does not qualify.
7. Log must be signed by the Youth Director or other supervising adult of the sponsoring institution. Please no parent signatures!
8. For repetitive activities, such as camp counselor or weekly hospital volunteer responsibilities, you may substitute an official report, email, or certificate from the organization that clearly indicates the total number of hours served, signed by the adult supervisor. You may only use this option if the hours are accurate, please do not average your hours across period of time.

