

Volunteer hours for Paxon SAS and Bright Futures

The number of volunteer community service hours needed for the various levels of Bright Futures Scholarships can vary year to year depending on legislative mandate. Please see your counselor for hours needed for your graduating class.

Paxon SAS students are required to earn 75 hours of community service.

1. Service may be completed at the school and/or in the community.
2. Students must perform volunteer services on their own time.
3. Students must not be PAID for their services.
4. Fundraising for non-profit organizations will count as a volunteer activity.
5. Service may not be performed FOR A STUDENT'S FAMILY or for a PROFIT-MAKING (FOR-PROFIT) organization.
6. Volunteer work for the purpose of promoting a particular religious or political point of view or person does NOT count. For example, if your church youth group helps with the Special Olympics, those hours would count, but not time spent distributing fliers advertising a church revival.
7. Participation in varsity or junior varsity athletics, INCLUDING team managers, does not constitute volunteer hours.
8. Some common activities that do NOT count include: acolyte, altar server, lay reader, vacation bible school, babysitting, working in a church nursery, church usher, church choir, clerical work for religious, political or profit making organizations and teaching or coaching in a for-profit making organization.

The above criteria will not cover all circumstances. If a question exists regarding the acceptance of an activity for volunteer service, the student's counselor should approve the service PRIOR to the student's participation.

Before doing a community service activity:

Community service forms must be printed from the Paxon SAS website under "Guidance".

Read the above information on what counts and what doesn't.

During the performance of the community service activity:

Take the forms with you to the activity.

Use a separate set of forms for each separate activity. Example: A set of three when you volunteered at the library, a separate set for when you volunteered at "The Walk for Life".

Be sure your parents, the C.S. Verifier and you sign the three sheets where asked.

After performing the community service activity:

C.S. hours must be turned-in during the first week of December in your senior year.

All three pages must be in order, stapled and turned-in to your counselor and all signatures are present.

