

Calvert County Public Schools Student Service Learning Program

What is it?

Student Service Learning is an approach to teaching that combines meaningful service to the community through curriculum-based learning. Students improve academic skills by applying what has been learned in school to the real world, and then reflect on their experience which reinforces the link between community outreach and learning.

Student Service Learning is a Maryland State Department of Education graduation requirement. Students must complete a total of 75 hours of service to the community prior to graduation.

The Student Service Learning Program in Calvert County Public Schools is designed to teach, recognize, and value individual service to the community. As a result of participating in service learning, students will be informed citizens and responsible stewards of the environment with knowledge of history, economics, conservation and preservation.

Student Service Learning projects are implemented in grades one through seven. The elementary and middle school projects use an infused model in the areas of science and social studies.



Calvert County Public Schools Student Service Learning Grade Level Projects

All grade level projects were developed under content supervisor direction with input from selected teacher teams and community partner organizations.

	<i>Project Name</i>	<i>Subject</i>	<i>Student Service-Learning Hours</i>
Grade Two	Recycling Advocacy	Science	5
Grade Three	Terrapin Restoration	Science	5
Grade Four	Historic Preservation	Social Studies	5
Grade Five	Oyster Preservation	Science	10
Grade Six	Historic Preservation	Social Studies	15
Grade Seven	Bay Grasses in the Classroom	Science	15
Grade Eight	Environmental Data Bank Project	Science	15
Grade Nine	Site based Environmental Literacy Project	Biology	5
Health 2	Community Outreach	Health 2	10
High School Transfer Students	Independent Study		Based on the year of entry

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 443-550-8031

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Verification of Hours Form

Student Name: _____ **Student ID:** _____ **Grade:** _____ **Class of 20** _____

Agency (where project was completed): _____

Directions: *Complete the information each time a service is performed. When the project is completed, have the site supervisor complete the bottom section of the form. Student must answer questions on the back of this form. Return the completed form to the service-learning coordinator.*

Date	Hours Worked	Brief Description of Service	Signature of Site Supervisor

Total Hours: _____

Site Supervisor Signature: _____ **Ending Date:** _____

Comments:

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- Director of Student Services
 - Director of Human Resources
- 443-550-8000

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Ms. Kimberly Roof
Director of Student Services
Calvert County Public Schools
1305 Dares Beach Road
Prince Frederick, MD 20678

Service-Learning Requirements for students new to Calvert County Public Schools:

With appropriate documentation, CCPS accepts the student service-learning experiences of students prior to their enrollment in CCPS. At the time of enrollment, official documentation of prior service beginning in grade one may be presented to the student service-learning coordinator for inclusion in the student's record.

- Students enrolling or entering CCPS for the **first** time during **grades 6 or 7** are required to earn 65 service-learning hours before graduation.
- Students enrolling in CCPS for the **first** time in **grade 8** are required to complete 50 approved service-learning hours before graduation.
- Students enrolling in CCPS for the **first** time in **grade 9** are required to complete 40 approved service-learning hours before graduation.
- Students enrolling in CCPS for the **first** time in **grade 10** are required to complete 30 approved service-learning hours before graduation.
- Students enrolling in CCPS for the **first** time in **grade 11** are required to complete 20 approved service-learning hours before graduation.
- Students enrolling in CCPS for the **first** time in **grade 12** are required to complete 10 approved service-learning hours before graduation.