

## Christian Service Hours 2020-2021:

We wanted to make you aware of some recent changes to Christian Service. Beginning last year, hours completed after June of 2019 will be eligible to roll over. Any hours prior to this will NOT roll over (This only affects the current Junior and Senior classes).

Once the students have completed their minimum number of hours in each of the areas, their remaining hours can be served in any category. We are hoping that these practices will create a positive feeling toward service and create a desire to continue serving after they graduate from NDP.

The minimum number of hours required for each grade level are as follows (during their time left at NDP not yearly):

SeniorsJuniorsFreshman\SophomoresPlace of Worship: 2Place of Worship: 3Place of Worship: 4

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Community: 4 Community: 7 Community: 10

Poor and Marginalized: 8 Poor and Marginalized: 20 Poor and Marginalized: 30

Each semester, a minimum number of hours must be submitted in order for students to receive a passing grade. For first semester, on or before December 1st, 2020 (Due to Covid this has been extended to January 4, 2021), students are required to have the following minimum hours submitted (Note: if a student is signed up for and has paid the down payment for a Mission Trip during the Spring/2<sup>nd</sup> Semester, he or she will not be required to have the minimum for 1<sup>st</sup> Semester):

Seniors/Juniors: 15 Hours Sophomores: 10 Hours Freshman: 8 Hours

During second semester, students are required to have the following minimum hours submitted, on or before April 12<sup>th</sup> for Seniors and April 26<sup>th</sup> for all other students:

Seniors/Juniors: 30 Hours Sophomores: 25 Hours Freshman: 15 Hours

In summary, extra hours completed during the school year are eligible to be rolled over to fulfill requirements for the following school year. Students must complete **120 total hours** by graduation, but the rollover policy will give students and families more flexibility when their hours are served. We hope that this increased flexibility in the service policy will add to the positive experience of Christian Service, and that NDP students will make a decision to continue serving after they graduate.

All of our mission trips are on the NDP website under the Faith Tab and then go to The Service Trip Experience. In addition to our mission trips we offer a summer school class called the Urban Plunge where students get class credit and all of their hours completed for the semester.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Ms. Dinges at sdinges@ndpsaints.org