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CIS
Middle School

Community Service Handbook

1998-99

“Responsible Citizenship”

Name

Philosophy of Community Service

Our educational philosophy stresses the development of the whole person. Its concerns extend beyond the focus on academic and intellectual achievement and encourage **responsible citizenship** in the world outside the classroom.

Aims

1. Community Service(CS) fosters an **altruistic or helping attitude** by asking you to give some of your time to benefit others.
2. Community Service(CS) is designed to increase your **awareness of the world** by providing you with real activities which take you beyond your familiar experiences and environment.
3. Giving of yourself to others may make you aware of some **talents** and skills you did not even know you had. In the process, you will learn the **satisfaction** which comes from being able to use your abilities to contribute in making your world a more positive and caring place.

Acceptable CS Projects

participating in charity drive
working at MS dances
working in the snack bar
tutoring younger student on a regular basis
leading a club for younger students
helping to raise money for needy projects
assisting in a recycling project
baby sitting at PTA events
helping with a clean-up campaign
carrying out an awareness campaign
volunteering as lab/classroom assistants
donating toys made in technology class
participating in Toys for Tots drive
fund raising for UNICEF, Red Cross, etc.
working at an animal shelter
assisting special projects in the library
sharing a talent or skill in service to the school
presenting at a senior citizens home
sharing something you have learned at another school
working in a classroom to earn a donation for a charity
serving on the student council (five hours)
classroom beautification

Not Acceptable CS Projects

photocopying for teachers
cleaning classrooms
cleaning your room
doing your household jobs

Goal

Our hope is that the CS programme will achieve our aims, i.e. you develop a helping attitude, increase your awareness of the world, share and discover your talents and gain the satisfaction of helping others. As a guide we expect middle school students to earn at least 20 hours.

Procedure

1. Make plans for a CS project or to join in a project organised by others.
2. Speak to your advisor to get her/his approval and guidance.
3. Carry out the CS project or do your part in the project.
4. Complete the CS Form and have the project supervisor sign it.
5. File the CS Form in your CS Folder.
6. Have your advisor read the CS Form.
7. Your progress with community service will be a part of your quarterly progress reports to parents.
8. Your advisor using the documents in your CS Folder will give his/her approval for your having reached the community service goal at the end of the year.

CS Form

After you have finished a CS project, you need to complete a CS Form about the experience. Be sure to get the project supervisor's signature. Your comments should be a description of the experience and an expression of your feelings and reflections on the project.



Copenhagen International School

Community Service Plans and Progress 1998-99

Keep a record of your plans and progress here.

	CS Project	Date Completed	Still Running	Hours Spent
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