INSTRUCTION

6:302 Community Service Requirement

Beginning with the Class of 2013, all East Aurora High School students will be required to complete 40 hours of community service or volunteer work prior to being issued a high school diploma. The hours must be completed in accordance with the following requirements:

- 1. Beginning with the Class of 2013, all high school students seeking a diploma are required to perform 40 hours of community service or volunteer work as a part of the regular graduation requirements. Service may be spread out over the student's entire high school enrollment.
- A minimum of 20 hours must be completed by the end of the student's sophomore year. Students who have not earned 20 hours of community service credit will not be promoted to junior (1 1 th grade) status until such time as the 20 hour requirement has been met.
- 3. Students who transfer in to East Aurora High School must earn 5 hours for each full semester of attendance at East Aurora High School.
- 4. Students may earn .25 elective credit for each 10 hours of community service completed, not to exceed one total credit earned during the student's high school career.
- 5. Students may earn no more than 15 hours in one week when school is in session, or 40 hours when school is not in session.
- 6. Students may start earning Service Learning Hours as soon as they are promoted to ninth grade.
- 7. Students will be responsible for selecting an appropriate service activity and venue, contacting the appropriate agency, preparing and processing the required form(s), completing the service, and returning the verification to their counselor. Students are responsible for arranging their own transportation to and from community service sites.
- 8. To be counted toward graduation requirements and elective credit, all community service and volunteer activities must comply with the *East Aurora High School Community Service Criteria* developed by the office of the High School Principal.
- 9. If a student's community service/volunteer hours have been denied by the school, the student may appeal the decision to the student's Assistant Principal. The appeal must be in writing, and a copy of the Log Sheet referencing the hours in question must be attached. The letter must contain a telephone number and address at which the party initiating the appeal can be reached.

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