

## **RKA Community Service General Information 2025-26**

**Community Service** are acts in which individuals work to enhance or develop their community. At RKA we believe that serving one's community is important and valuable as our students develop into productive, kind, and compassionate human beings.

**Service can be just about any non-money earning work conducted at a not-for-profit organization**, but it cannot be conducted at a parent or other family member's place of employment. Examples of acceptable service include but are not limited to volunteering at a religious organization, coaching or helping at youth sports organizations, neighborhood clean ups, helping serve meals to the needy, helping at canned goods or clothing drives, helping at the library, socializing with the elderly at a senior center. Again, students cannot earn hours for anything they are also earning money for, and the service should be done *with an organization*, not just with their parents or family members. So, as an example, providing tutoring through a community program counts, tutoring a neighbor doesn't.

**Students must have a representative of the organization sign off on the community service log to document service.** Students should also attach a business card or letter on letterhead to the sheet. **Sheets and documentation should be placed in the BLACK CS/NHS/NJHS lock box outside of the main office (near your mailboxes) by 4/22/26.** Students are encouraged to take a picture of their sheets before they hand it in. And students should hand their hours in as soon as they complete them to avoid losing the log.

### **Hours for each grade:**

#### **NJHS**

- 7<sup>th</sup>- 5 after NJHS Induction- June
- 8<sup>th</sup> 10 for NJHS Membership

#### **NHS**

- 10<sup>th</sup> 5 after NHS Induction- June
- 11<sup>th</sup> 10 for NHS Membership
- 12<sup>th</sup> 10 for NHS Membership

#### **Graduation Requirement**

- 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> All students complete 10 hours per year enrolled at RKA for graduation, can be completed each year or all at once