ALL-STAR AWARD 2015-2016

PURPOSE: The purpose of this award is to recognize students who demonstrate outstanding attendance, citizenship, scholarship, and service to our school and community.

**Requirements:**

**Attendance**  
Must be absent no more than 7 days in the school year for any reason, including illness, personal necessity, and family vacations.

**Behavior**  
Maximum of 3 demerits. All-Star Candidates may not “work off” demerits.

**Citizenship**  
No U’s in citizenship on any quarter grade report. No more than two N’s.

**Scholarship**  
2.75 GPA or above with no D’s or F’s during 1st, 2nd, and 3rd quarters.

**Service**  
**Twenty-Hour All-Star Award**  
Students must earn twenty hours of service credit for a non-profit enterprise. Students may not be compensated in any way. This award program fosters a survey approach to service, and no activity may earn more than three hours of credit. Students must take action in a minimum of 6 separate service categories (please see attached list).

**Presidential Award (Bronze, Silver, Gold)**  
These levels allow students to accrue multiple hours for a given action. This award is a good fit for students who routinely volunteer to help within their school, community, faith organization, etc. It is possible to earn the Presidential Award through opportunities provided through our school, but students earning the Presidential Award are particularly “volunteer-oriented” and often seek opportunities off campus.

**Responsibility**  
Students are responsible for acquiring signatures, maintaining their records, and meeting the turn-in dates and deadlines. Students must also attend mandatory, quarterly meetings. Students are expected to bring their logs to the meeting to be stamped and need to demonstrate progress toward their goal. Meetings are held during lunch, and the dates are listed on the Service Log. Each student may have one “oops” for a late Declaration or meeting before being disqualified. “Save” your oops for an emergency!

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How does the “Regular” All-Star Award differ from the All-Star Presidential Award?

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| ⭐ Service  
20 hours of service or service credit (service credit only available through LRMS) in six or more categories | ⭐ Service  
50+ hours of service or service credit (service credit only available through LRMS) in six or more categories |
| Maximum of 3 hours of service per action                                                  | May earn hours based upon “time served” without a 3 hour limit |
| This program has more of a survey approach to service, and the time restrictions are in place so that students have multiple service actions and experiences within the school year. | This program recognizes students who demonstrate longevity and commitment over time. i.e. TSS tutoring, working in the lunch room, helping in the nursery at your faith organization on an on-going basis, etc. |
| August 10th, 2015 through April 15, 2016  
Summer Service does NOT count for this award.                                               | April 2015 through April 15, 2016.  
It is expected that students will earn twenty hours during the school year in support of school-wide opportunities/campaigns. |

Students may work toward the Presidential Award, and if they fall short of their hours, they may still qualify for the “regular” award. However, summer hours do not count and there is a three-hour time cap on service. (i.e. Even if a student helps different teachers, he/she may help a total of three hours because the action is “teacher help.”)
**DEADLINES:**

**Declarations of Candidacy** are due on **Friday, September 11th.**

**Completed Applications and Service Logs** are due **Friday, April 15th.**

Applications must include the completed Service Log with all necessary signatures. Applicants should retain a copy of all documents. (Take a picture on your phone!)

After the application turn-in date, students must continue to maintain appropriate school behavior and attendance in order to qualify for this award.

**SERVICE HOURS:**

Service is when you volunteer your free time for a non-profit enterprise. You must not be paid or compensated in any way. As a school-site, we also offer service credit for academic competitions and participation in specified student or PTA driven activities. Service Credit may only be earned through LRMS. When you declare your candidacy for this award, you will receive information through Schoolloop, notifying you of volunteer opportunities on campus. While Mrs. Ritner will make you aware of opportunities throughout the year, you are ultimately responsible for researching how you can achieve your service goal and complete the required number of hours. Please do not “show up” at an event without first signing up through Jooners. If you participate in another service program such as NCL or Lion’s Heart, you may count time served with either of these organizations toward your All-Star hours. HOWEVER, donations, meeting time, and driving time do not count for service credit at LRMS.

**SERVICE CATEGORIES**

Complete a service action in a minimum of six of the following categories:

The examples listed in parentheses give examples of the types of service that fall under this category; it is not intended to be an all-inclusive list. Some actions may fall under more than one category, but you will be asked to designate one when you submit your final application with your Service Log (it’s okay to be strategic and count categories in a manner that best enables you to achieve your six categories).

- **Acts of Kindness Campaign** Participation in our Acts of Kindness Campaign (February)
  
  This campaign epitomizes the focus of the All-Star program, and strives to develop character and a “habit of heart.” All candidates are encouraged to participate in this campaign.

- **Animal Support/Rescue** An action that contributes to the care and well-being of animals
  
  Working at the Pacific Marine Mammal Center, an animal shelter, a stable, etc.

- **Athletics** An action that assists a local recreational sport, club team, or fitness event
  
  Challenger Baseball Program, refereeing/umping a game, volunteering at the snack bar, assisting at a Fun Run or community athletic event

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• **Children**  *An action that benefits children*
  Playdough Patrol, classroom aid, VBS or Sunday School helper

• **Disabled or Ill Persons**  *An action that benefits the physically or mentally disabled, ill, or homebound*
  Making Joy Jars, providing care for others through your faith organization, Challenger Baseball, baking treats and/or preparing meals for the ill or homebound and/or their families

• **Education**  *An action that benefits an educational institution*
  Collecting Box Tops, Playdough Patrol, Classroom Help, service to LRMS or any educational institution

• **Environment**  *An action that benefits the environment*
  Beach Clean-Up, Sierra Club initiative, Oso Trail Clean-Up, Campus Beautification at LRMS

• **Global Initiative**  *An action that impacts people beyond the United States*
  Green Sneakers, preparing meals for Children of the Nations, Free Rice, Mission Trip

• **Hunger**  *An action that addresses the need to provide food to the hungry*
  Second Harvest Food Bank donation, preparing meals for Children of the Nations, serving at a soup kitchen

• **Literacy**  *An action that facilitates reading and writing at any level*
  TSS Tutoring, Recycled Book Drive, Library Aide, Baking treats for Book Fair or Spelling Bee

• **Men and Women in Service**  *An action that benefits those who serve or have served our country.*

• **Music and the Arts**  *An action that shows your support to the arts at our school or beyond*

• **Neighborhood, Community and Country**  *An action that shows your support for your neighborhood, community, or country*
  Assisting with a LARMAC event, responding to an Emergency (i.e. helping Hurricane Sandy victims)

• **School Spirit and Leadership**  An action that promotes school-wide spirit or participation in events

• **Senior Citizens**  *An action that benefits seniors*
  Volunteering at Norman P Murray Center, performing at a Senior Center

• **Service to your Faith Organization**  *An action that benefits your church, temple, mosque and is separate from your worship time.*

• **Shelter**  *Action that benefits individuals who are without shelter*
  Making fleece blankets for local shelters, Habitat for Humanity, Ronald McDonald House

• **Support to LRMS**  *An action that contributes to our school’s programs/areas of need*
  Volunteering at Orientation, Baking treats for Spelling Bee, Participating in Back-to-Basics/Paper Drive, Planter Beautification, Teacher Help

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What is Community Service? And What is Not?

Community Service is...

- Volunteering your time for a non-profit enterprise. **You must not be paid in any form**, although you may accept a meal or a snack while volunteering.
- Time spent volunteering for other organizations such as NCL, Boy Scouts, or Assisteens - but not time spent at meetings for those organizations.
- Helping paint or build sets, set up chairs, etc. for a school play counts
  - But performing in the play does not count
- Helping a teacher set up his/her classroom for the year during non-school time counts
  - But helping the teacher during class does not count
- Student Leadership (ASB or student government) service during non-class time counts
  - But class time for those roles does not count
- Performing with your cheer/pep/dance/band/choir for senior citizens and/or disadvantaged groups counts
  - But regular performances and rehearsals do not count
- Refereeing or coaching, and training/setup as a sports volunteer counts
  - But practicing, playing, and fundraising for a sport does not count
- Performing for a disadvantaged group (disabled, senior citizens home) counts
  - But practicing/rehearsals for that performance or performances at school do not count
- Handing out programs outside of a building, or babysitting while parents attend a church service counts
  - But singing/playing an instrument or participating in the service does not count
- Community service during school breaks or vacations count
  - But sleeping and eating time does not count
- Vacation bible camp volunteering counts
  - But teaching the bible, preaching, and/or service within the place of worship does not count
- Helping at voter registration or a polling place counts
  - But helping a candidate or a cause does not count
- Volunteering to help set up, organize, hand out pamphlets, hand out water, etc…for non-profit organizations counts
  - But the actual fundraising as a separate effort does not count
- Collecting money at the Little League snack shack or collecting money for raffle tickets at a fund raising event counts
  - But selling raffle tickets on your own, as a separate effort, does not count
- Assisting a disadvantaged person with a chore (cleaning out their garage, gardening, repairing their home, etc.) counts
  - But helping a family member or any able-bodied person with a chore does not count
- Volunteering at a hospital, library, or animal shelter counts
  - But working at a doctor or veterinarian’s office does not count

*These guidelines are adapted from the Lion’s Heart website. If you have a question about what counts or doesn’t count as community service, please ask Mrs. Ritner prior to completing the action.*

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Service Credit for LRMS

Because one of the goals of the All-Star program is to foster a connection with our school, students may receive service credit for participation in some of our school activities. Service credit is only available through LRMS and may not be counted from any other institution.

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<td>50 bottles/cans for Recycle Wednesdays/ drop off to a PAL in room 724</td>
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A friendly reminder ...

It is my honor and pleasure to be the advisor to the All-Star Program. It is my voluntary service to our school, and I view this position as an opportunity to blend my values about helping others with my influence as a teacher. In addition, I want YOU to have a voice and an impact within our community, nation, and world. As wonderful as this program is, the volume of students who participate can sometimes overwhelm teachers, office staff, and parent volunteers. I kindly request that you:

- always complete the Service Log before asking your teacher/supervising adult to sign.
- get all signatures at the time of service.
- remember to wait your turn and say “please” and “thank you.”
- read informational emails carefully; ask a teacher or me if you need something clarified
- when you “sign-up,” be sure to “show up” and don’t “show up” without “signing up”
- be aware and observe all deadlines for events and campaigns; do not bring items after the deadline

I am looking forward to a great year and a program that enables you to try new things. I hope you will feel free to share your ideas with me--the majority of our actions last year resulted from student and community input. Your ideas matter!

--Mrs. Ritner

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