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Dear Ancaster High Students,

We have some very good news to share. The Ministry of Education has made it easier for students to accumulate volunteer hours this year:

- **Current Grade 12's on track to graduate in June, 2021 need only 20 hours of volunteer service this year!**
- All students (aged 14 and over) can now claim 10 hours of volunteer service from their part time job!
- The types of activities we will accept as volunteer service have been greatly expanded
- NOTE: Current Grade 12's not on track to graduate and all current Grade 9-11 students will likely still need 40 hours (to be determined)

The types of activities we will now accept as volunteer service are:

- Volunteering for a Non-Profit Organization (*Canadian Blood Services, etc.*)
- Household responsibilities (*walking the dog, cleaning the kitchen, etc.*)
- Caring for/helping a sibling (*walking to school, babysitting, etc.*)
- Participating in a school club/group (*student council, art club, etc.*)
- Supporting school-based initiatives (*helping with parents' night, etc.*)
- Tutoring
- Snow/leaf removal
- Co-op with Ms. Harrop

STEPS TO CLAIM YOUR HOURS FROM THE LIST ABOVE

1. Download the *Record of Hours* form www.hwdsb.on.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/Community-Service-Form-2.pdf
2. Complete the fillable form, print, sign the bottom, have your parent/guardian sign (if under 18), scan it to a .pdf (iPhones do this via the Notes app), include your name in the filename
3. Go to The Hub and upload this file to the Guidance course's drop box, or e-mail it to your guidance counsellor

STEPS TO CLAIM YOUR 10 HOURS FROM YOUR PART-TIME JOB

1. Download the reflection activity at www.hwdsb.on.ca/ancasterhigh/files/2020/11/reflection.pdf
2. Complete the fillable form, save the file, include your name in the filename. No signatures required.
3. Go to The Hub and upload this file to the Guidance course's drop box, or e-mail it to your guidance counsellor
4. This automatically grants you 10 hours. No need to also list this on the Record of Hours form

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