

December 2021

Dear Ancaster High Students,

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, 2022 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 expanded
- NOTE: Current Grade 12's not on track to graduate and all current Grade 9-11 students will still need 40 hours

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, positive space, etc.)
- Supporting school-based initiatives (helping with parents' night, etc.)
- Tutoring
- Snow/leaf removal

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

