



THE ANDERSON SCHOOL (P.S. 334)

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Dear Anderson Middle School Parents,

We are excited to begin the seventh year of our community service program at Anderson Middle School. As always, we appreciate your support in encouraging your child to donate his or her time to serve the community. We believe that acting as supportive members of the community as middle schoolers will help students develop into caring, considerate adults who do good deeds for others. These service experiences help our students take positive steps towards becoming compassionate, thoughtful, and generous future leaders.

Community service can be defined as unpaid voluntary activities that occur during or outside of the school day. Although we truly respect acts of kindness and good deeds such as working around your home or helping neighbors, we separate good deeds from organized community service. It is for this reason that we require students to receive prior approval for service activities from their assigned Advisory Teacher.

The primary purpose of the program is to encourage our students to become community service providers. We also strongly promote student responsibility; that is why we have developed a procedure that holds each student accountable for submitting completed community service forms to their Advisory teacher for review. In addition, students learn to schedule their community service hours throughout the school year rather than rushing to complete their hours in June. Please note that completing community service hours does not determine the overall classroom conduct grade for the advisory class. The conduct grade is determined by weekly in-class behavior, attitude, and effort.

Eighth grade students meeting the designated criteria for the Community Service Program will be recognized at the Anderson Graduation Ceremony in June. In order to receive a Community Service completion certificate, all AMS students need to have completed the approved minimum of fifteen hours in eighth grade, fifteen hours in seventh grade and ten hours in the sixth grade by May 29, 2020.

If you have any questions about our Community Service Program, please feel free to contact Gail Ridder or Nicole Chandonnet.

Sincerely,

Anderson Administration

Please return this form to your child's homeroom teacher by Thursday, September 5, 2019.

I have carefully read and reviewed the Community Service letter with my child, and I am aware of all the expectations and responsibilities as outlined in this letter. I am also aware that this service project is a school requirement and that my child is required to perform the designated community service hours:

- Sixth Grade: 10 hours total
- Seventh Grade: 15 hours total
- Eighth Grade: 15 Hours total

Student's Name: _____

Student's Homeroom: _____

Parent's Name and Signature: _____