

Madina Academy Upper School

Community Service Policy

﴿ وَأَعْبُدُوا اللَّهَ وَلَا تُشْرِكُوا بِهِ شَيْئًا وَبِالْوَالِدَيْنِ إِحْسَانًا وَبِذِي
الْقُرْبَىٰ وَالْيَتَامَىٰ وَالْمَسْكِينِ وَالْجَارِ ذِي الْقُرْبَىٰ وَالْجَارِ
الْجُنُبِ وَالصَّاحِبِ بِالْجَنبِ وَابْنِ السَّبِيلِ وَمَا مَلَكَتْ
أَيْمَانُكُمْ إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يُحِبُّ مَن كَانَ مُخْتَالًا فَخُورًا ﴾

Worship Allah and associate nothing with Him, and to parents do good, and to relatives, orphans, the needy, the near neighbor, the neighbor farther away, the companion at your side, the traveler, and those whom your right hands possess. Indeed, Allah does not like those who are self-deluding and boastful

Surah Nisah 4-36

1. All Upper School students must complete 50 hours of community service during their 4 year high school career as part of their graduation requirement. Students will complete a minimum of 10 hours each year in the 9th and 10th grades and a minimum of 15 hours each year in the 11th and 12th grades.
2. Students must gain experience from at least five different program categories. From the total of 50 hours required, at least five hours must be completed from each of the five chosen categories.
3. All community service activities must be given **prior** approval by the Principal or Supervising Counselor.
4. Students must complete a Community Service Record for each visit/event.
5. The following regulations exist for an activity to be counted as Service:
 - The activity cannot be for pay.
 - The activity cannot be work for a parent or sibling.
 - Students may work for individuals in their neighborhoods for no pay in cases of emergency or need, for example raking leaves or shoveling snow for a disabled person.
 - Students may use the community service hours they have donated for a religious obligation or civic organization.
 - Students may volunteer for a local business as long as it is not for pay.
 - Students may use hours working as an in-school tutor or aide at Madina Academy.

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Categories	Example Agency
1. <u>Seniors</u>	Hospital, Assisted Living Centers, Community Senior Center
2. <u>Young Children</u>	Daycare, Pre-School, Elementary Schools, Afterschool Programs, Tutoring, mentoring
3. <u>Hospital/Medical Facility</u>	Shadowing opportunities, volunteering at local hospitals
4. <u>Town of Residence</u>	Library, Town Parks and Recreation Center
5. <u>Local Muslim Organization</u>	Sunday School
6. <u>Muslim Youth Group</u>	Local MSA chapter, MYNA (ISNA), YM (ICNA) etc...
7. <u>Madina Academy</u>	Upper School initiative, Accreditation committee
8. <u>Career Exploration</u>	Shadowing individuals in various fields
9. <u>Environmental</u>	Parks, Conservation Areas, local animal shelters
10. <u>Other</u>	Local businesses/companies etc...

On the authority of Abu Hurairah that the Prophet said:

"Whosoever removes a worldly grief from a believer, Allah will remove from him one of the griefs of the Day of Judgment. Whosoever alleviates [the lot of] a needy person, Allah will alleviate [his lot] in this world and the next. Whosoever shields a Muslim, Allah will shield him in this world and the next. Allah will aid a servant [of His] so long as the servant aids his brother. Whosoever follows a path to seek knowledge therein, Allah will make easy for him a path to Paradise. No people gather together in one of the houses of Allah, reciting the Book of Allah and studying it among themselves, without tranquility descending upon them, mercy enveloping them, the angels surrounding them, and Allah making mention of them amongst those who are with Him. Whosoever is slowed down by his actions will not be hastened forward by his lineage." An-Nawawi's 40 Hadith - Hadith no: 36

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Community Service Report

Student Name: _____

Grade: _____

Date of Service: _____

Time in: _____ Time out: _____ Total time: _____

Name of Host Organization: _____

On site volunteer supervisor: _____ Phone: _____

Location(s) of community service performed:

Requirement Category: _____

My Personal Learning Objectives and/or Goals were:

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Specific Tasks Performed:

Continue on reverse side.....

Student Signature: _____

*Site Supervisor Signature: _____

*School Counselor/ Principal's Signature: _____

** Note: Site Supervisor and School Counselor should sign only after the student has completed the entire form*