



## COMMUNITY SERVICE INFORMATION

### **What is Community Service?**

Since 2003, University School has encouraged 5th through 8th grade students to get involved in various community service projects and accumulate a recommended number of community service hours each year. By participating in such projects at a young age, students begin to develop a better awareness of others in the community and see needs beyond their own.

### **What is the recommended number of hours for each grade per year?**

01-5 - 10 hours    01-6 - 12 hours    01-7 - 14 hours    01-8 - 16 hours

### **What types of volunteer activities are available to obtain the required number of hours?**

University School will offer a variety of activities throughout the school year. Please keep a record of ANY volunteer service work that you do with Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, religious organization, etc. Summer activities can be included.

### **How does my student report the hours worked?**

Students will fill out a Community Service Recording Form, which is available at the school's front desk. The form can also be downloaded from the Resource Documents section of ParentsWeb or from the Community Service page in the Parent Connection section of our school website ([www.utulsa.edu/uschool](http://www.utulsa.edu/uschool)). The form must be signed by a parent, guardian or adult responsible for the community service function that the student worked.

### **Are the community service projects offered during school hours or after school?**

All community service opportunities are conducted after school hours or on weekends. Students do not miss any school to participate in community service activities.

### **Does University School provide transportation to and from the school for community service activities?**

No. Parents must transport students to and from the community service location.

### **If a parent works at the community service function with the student, does the student get double the number of hours?**

Yes. University School feels that parents and children working together in a community service setting builds strong family ties and also exposes the parents to new opportunities and needs in the community. \*Please note that two parents or guardians working does not triple the hours, they may only be doubled.

### **If the hours aren't "required," what rewards do the students who obtained the recommended number of hours receive?**

Students who obtain the recommended number of hours by the end of the school year will be recognized at the end-of-the-year awards ceremony.

### **Who is the Community Service Coordinator for this school year?**

Elizabeth Chatzigiannidis is the current coordinator. You may contact her at [lizachatz@yahoo.com](mailto:lizachatz@yahoo.com) or 918-261-1534 if you have any questions or suggestions.