

Lasallian Service Information

"Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food. I was thirsty, and you gave me drink. I was a stranger and you welcomed me. I was naked, and you clothed me. I was sick and you visited me. I was in prison and you came to me. Truly, I say to you, as you did it to the least of these my brethren, you did it to me." (Matthew 25:34)

Catholic High School is grateful for the ideals of our Lasallian heritage and wishes to remain united with the efforts of the Christian Brothers to serve in the manner of their founder, St. John Baptiste DeLaSalle. DeLaSalle recognized the pain of the poor and heard their cry for help. He understood the poverty, ignorance, and oppression led to crime, sin, and destruction. Jesus warned against holding wealth while others suffer.

In the course of the school year, student in grades 9-12 must complete eight hours of Lasallian service (4 hours per semester). Students in grades 7-8 are expected to complete 2 hours of Lasallian Service in the school year. The **Lasallian Service Form** will be completed by all students, signed by a supervisor of the project, and turned in to the teacher for record keeping purposes. The deadline for turning in the completed forms for fall semester is December 4th, and for spring semester is May 7th. Religion teachers may choose to assign and grade a written reflection of the student's experience.

Suggestions for Service:

Visiting the elderly and helping out at nursing homes

Serving or assisting at St. Francis Diner

Working with the mentally challenged through the ARC of Iberia

Visiting or assisting the sick, aged, or handicapped members of your church parish

Assisting at S.N.A.P.

Guidelines and Clarifications:

1. Students are encouraged to go beyond their awareness of needs at home and among relatives. Therefore, though it is to be encouraged that all students assist at home, work done for relatives does not fulfill the requirements.
2. Babysitting does not fulfill the requirements of the program. However, helping with the nursery during Sunday liturgy is acceptable if the student attends another mass to satisfy the Sunday obligation.
3. Tutoring friends and schoolmates does not fulfill the service requirements. Tutoring as a part of a program such as Boys and Girls Club or Head Start is acceptable.
4. Service work done as required by a club or group as a condition for membership is not in keeping with the apostolic nature of the program.
5. Service work done on campus or for a school organization is not considered in keeping with the works of mercy of Apostles.
6. Service work for businesses, stores, offices, or other profit organizations does not fulfill the requirement of the Lasallian Service Program.