

Morris Community High School Community Service Graduation Requirement

Morris Community High School requires that each student complete **five (5) hours** community service in order to graduate. While certainly not a large commitment, this requirement represents our school's efforts to help build community conscious graduates. Below is one list of clearly acceptable and another list of clearly unacceptable community service activities. Although these lists do not exhaust all possibilities, it is our hope that parents and community members will use these as guidelines to help our students successfully complete this requirement in a meaningful way.

Note: All community service must be completed during the school year in which it is recorded. This shall include the summer prior to that school year. Community Service hours will only be accepted if completed during the summer before, or during the school year in which they are submitted.

<u>Acceptable</u>	<u>Unacceptable</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Helped with an adult Morris service club project. Walk-a-thon volunteer worker or walker. Participant in a club service project-clean a park, etc. Volunteered at a nursing home. Worker at church bingo or other senior activities. Volunteer at the city library. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Volunteer to work for or help a relative. Work done for a non-charity fundraiser. Service done for probation/discipline. Work done for teams or other organizations that does not provide any direct benefit to other community members.

Total Hours	Date	Description of Community Service Activity	Adult Supervisor <u>cannot be a relative</u> (contact phone #)	Parent Verification Hours Signature (contact phone #)

STUDENT NAME: _____ DATE: _____
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Examples of Ideas for Community Service:

Grundy County Housing Authority – Variety of projects from painting apartments to yard work at Saratoga Towers. **Contact info:** (815) 941-6198

Grundy County Health Department – Assist with document shredding **Contact info:** (815)941-3404

Morris Downtown Development Partnership – Help with a variety of events such as Liberty Days, Liberty 5K, Home for the Holidays **Contact info:** www.downtownmorris.com or mddp@downtownmorris.com or (815) 941-0245

Morris Hospital – Help at the reception desk or gift shop **Contact info:** (815) 941-2932 ext. 7022

Morris Kiwanis Club – Help with a variety of projects through the year
Contact info: <http://morriskiwanis.weebly.com> or morriskiwanis@gmail.com

Morris Lions Club – Help with a variety of projects through the year
Contact info: www.morrislionsclub.com

Morris Public Library – Year round help **Contact info:** www.morrislibrary.com or (815) 942-6880

Morris Public Works – Outdoor help **Contact info:** (815) 942-5063

Morris Rotary Club – Help with a variety of projects through the year
Contact info: www.morrisrotary.org or (815) 942-0773

Morris Theater Guild – Help with set building and ushering **Contact info:** www.morristheaterguild.com or (815) 942-1966

Park Point Morris Senior Living – Helping residents
Contact info: (815) 416-6200 ext. 360

Perfect Paws Animal Rescue - **Contact info:** 843-499-2886 or www.perfectpawsanimalrescue.org

Special Connections – **Contact info:** www.specialconnections.org or specialconnections1@gmail.com or (815) 545-3397

St. Joseph Medical Center, Joliet – Student Ambassador Volunteer program during the summer (must be at least 15 but not a high school graduate) **Contact info:** Volunteer Service Department (815) 725-7133 ext. 3465

United Way of Grundy County- Help with a variety of local events such as the Grundy County Back to School Fair **Contact info:** info@uwgrundy.org (815) 942-4430

We Care of Grundy County- Variety of projects such as ringing bells for Salvation Army, etc.
Contact info: info@wecareofgrundy.org or (815) 942-6389

Many organizers for 5K events need volunteers.

Most churches welcome volunteers.

Grade schools may want volunteers for tutoring or miscellaneous help.