

## WEST CENTRAL F.I.R.E. Service Club

“You make a living by what you get. You make a life by what you give.” Winston Churchill

**Purpose:** To provide opportunity for students to work on a volunteer basis to assist in the community.

“If you want to lift yourself up, lift up someone else.” Booker T. Washington

**Why:** Create connections with others in your community.

Make changes in your community.

Help people.

Earn service awards.

Have good things to write on your resume and college applications.

“Never doubt that a small group of committed people can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.” Margaret Mead

\*For students who chose to participate and reach the number of hours required for your graduating class, recognition and award will be given at graduation.

**How:** Students would need to correctly record, and submit on appropriate form, the service hours they take part in. All hours need to be unpaid volunteer work hours that take place outside of school hours. The service committee will create a list of group service opportunities, but students can also choose to contact and arrange their own volunteer project/hours.

Examples of service opportunities include but are not limited to:

Hospital volunteer

Performances for the community

Volunteering at preschools or daycare outside of your home

Volunteer coaching or refereeing

Peer tutoring

Volunteering at care center, food or clothing bank

Yard work for area citizens

Helping shut-ins

Volunteering at the humane society

Teaching Sunday school

Blood drive volunteer/donations

Disaster relief or prevention

County fair volunteer

**\*Any volunteer work not listed above should be pre-approved by the Service committee prior to completion of hours.**

All hours can not come from the same activity. We encourage volunteering for a variety of activities. Seventy-five percent of activities must come from activities completed in Henderson County.

Completed hours can be turned into Mrs. Alexander at any time. Extra forms are available there as well. Please return completed sheets in a timely manner (do not turn all in on the last day).

**When:** SUMMER HOURS should be turned in by Sept. 15.  
Deadline for yearly work for is April 20<sup>th</sup>.

All work must be properly documented to count toward awards.

Required hours for recognition at graduation:

**Class of 2013-200 hours**

**Class of 2014-300 hours**

**Class of 2015-300 hours**

**Class of 2016-300 hours**

“Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart.” Elizabeth Andrew

Groups could plan and perform the service hours together, for example a home room group or student organization could plan and complete a project together.