

FRESHMEN SERVICE PROJECT

A.C.T.S. HOURS

“Let the greatest among you become as the youngest, and the leader as one who serves... I am among you as one who serves.” Luke 22:26

The Freshmen A.C.T.S. program integrates the core Augustinian values of truth, unity and love. “We are a service oriented community. In serving God and others, students show dignity and respect due human life.” (PCHS Vision Statement) Freshmen are required to complete 10 total hours of service for their families.

The spirit of Christian service is certainly thriving within, nurtured by your faith, family and friends. Therefore, the goal of this project is not to add any additional burden to your already busy life, but to simply recognize and acknowledge that which you are no doubt already doing: acts of charity and kindness toward others. Additionally, this project gives you a chance to reflect upon the importance of giving of yourself for the benefit of your family.

GUIDELINES

- 1. Ten hours of service will be required by:
SEMESTER ONE: THEOLOGY - (DATE)
SEMESTER TWO: THEOLOGY - (DATE) 12-20-2011**
- 2. Your service hours must be performed for the benefit of your family only.**
- 3. Strive to make the service something other than what is normally expected of you. Also, because this is a service project, you may not receive any type of compensation for it. (money, gifts, etc.)**
- 4. Your parents/guardians must verify your service hours by signing your reflection paper.**
- 5. A one page reflection paper is required in order to give you the opportunity to process the significance of your service experience and to reflect upon any new insights that you may have had. Your reflection paper must be typed and double spaced. A correct MLA heading is required for this paper.**

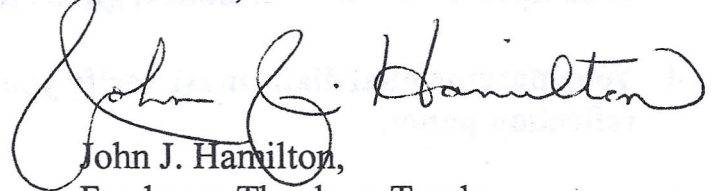
6. **Suggested reflective questions: How did you feel when you were able to help your family? What response or reaction did you get from those you helped or assisted? How did you give of yourself?**
7. **This project has the weight of one test grade (100 points) and will be recorded and appear on Ed-Line. This grade will become part of your semester Theology final average. Failure to complete this project will result in a zero recorded grade. LATE PAPERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED OR CONSIDERED NOR EMAILED PAPERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. A paper copy of your reflective paper must be submitted before or on the SEMESTER DUE DATE. ALL PAPERS ARE KEPT ON FILE AT PCHS.**

SUGGESTIONS FOR FRESHMEN A.C.T.S. HOURS PAPER

- Babysitting family members
- Household duties: cleaning, washing windows or floors, laundry, vacuuming, gardening, etc.
- Running errands, food shopping
- Any work for your family only

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to see me in Room 119 before your Semester due date.

God Bless,



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Theology Chairperson