

Community Service & Action:



A Guide for MYP Students

At

Northwest Jackson IB Middle School





## Community Service and Action in the MYP: Frequently Asked Questions

Northwest MYP Community and Service is now known as Community Service and Action (CS&A). Service and Action are key components of Northwest's mission to be a learning institution which seeks to embrace the mission statement of the IBO: We strive to develop caring young people who help create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect.

### What is Community Service and Action in the MYP?

This is a required component of the IB MYP which supports Northwest's aim to be a school committed to develop internationally-minded people who recognize their common humanity and shared guardianship of the planet. Community service and Action activities can take a wide variety of forms, including, recycling or helping with school events.

Community Service and Action helps students connect what is learned in school with the real world. This can happen in school, at the local food bank or at a distant destination. The end results of these connections are lifelong memorable and treasured experiences that help the students understand the needs of our world.

Community Service and Action extends beyond the classroom, allowing students to participate in the community

### What are the Requirements?

Students are required to complete activities based on specific outcomes. All community service and action activities must be completed during the school year with the exception of make-up activities.

Grade 6 (Year 1): Satisfy 3 of the 7 community service and action outcomes.

Grade 7 (Year 2): Satisfy 3 of the 7 community service and action outcomes.

Grade 8 (Year 3): Satisfy 4 of the 7 community service and action outcomes.

### What about Interim Deadlines?

What are the Community Service and Action criteria?

Service should be earned at an acceptable place. Like the school, religious organizations, political organizations, environmental/animal groups, hospitals, etc.

## Northwest Jackson IB Middle School Service and Action Expectations

Emerging (Grade 6)	Developing (Grade 7)	Practicing (Grade 8)
<p>Beginning to understand and reflect on my communities, being actively involved and starting to use my emergent skills to work with others and beginning to initiate and lead in service activities with guidance.</p>	<p>Responding to and reflecting on the needs of my communities and beginning to show an awareness of how I m changing, demonstrating a willingness to collaborate with others, showing a developing sense of independent leadership and being able to reflect on service experiences.</p>	<p>Being engaged with my communities, reflecting on the needs of my communities and showing greater awareness of how I m changing, collaborating and coaching others, demonstrating leadership and a capacity for deep reflection of service based activities.</p>

What procedures should my child follow?

Students should follow the procedures outlined below:

1. Plan a community service activity:

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#### 4. Reflection and Hand-in:

Personal reflection is an essential part of community and service. Reflection encourages better awareness of needs as well as the quality of response. Likewise, reflection helps stude

# Appendix





Supervisor: Please complete the information below. All information must be legible and signed in ink. Pencil signatures and illegible information will not be accepted.

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## Activity Approval Application

Student: Answer the following questions about your planned activity and submit this documentation to the MYP

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*\*Please note that for group service activities that are part of the community project for 8<sup>th</sup> graders, no more than 3 people can take part in the service activity.*