



2016 Student Volunteer Awards

Volunteerism enriches our community and makes many activities and resources available that would not otherwise exist. Volunteering as a student, can lead to continued participation in this valuable life-long activity. It also can lead to developing career, scholarship, and recognition opportunities for those students involved.

To encourage our youth to participate in this valuable life-long activity, the Jacksonville Area Chamber of Commerce sponsors the annual **Mayors' Student Volunteer Award** and the **President's Volunteer Service Award**. The purpose of these awards is to recognize and honor students who have enriched the area served by the Jacksonville Area Chamber of Commerce through their volunteerism over the past year. These awards will be presented by area Mayors and Village Presidents at the annual recognition reception in the spring of 2017.

To recognize the importance of volunteerism for our community and for the nation, students are eligible to receive both the Mayors' Award and the President's Award in accordance with the number of hours contributed in a calendar year. Information about both awards is included here. One application and service record can be used to apply for both awards. All applications and documentation are due to the Chamber of Commerce office no later than February 1, 2017.

Mayors' Student Volunteer Award Criteria

Students – ages 5 to 21: 75 hours or more

President's Volunteer Service Award Criteria

Kids – ages 5 to 10: Bronze (26 - 49 hours)

Silver (50 - 74 hours)

Gold (75 hours or more)

Teens – ages 11 to 15: Bronze (50 - 74 hours)

Silver (75 - 99 hours)

Gold (100 hours or more)

Young Adults - ages 16-21: Bronze (100 - 174 hours)

Silver (175 - 249 hours)

Gold (250 hours or more)

The President's Volunteer Service Award is issued by the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation on behalf of the President of the United States to recognize the best in the American spirit, and to encourage all Americans to improve their communities through volunteer service and civic participation.

The Jacksonville Area Chamber of Commerce is a certifying organization for the President's Volunteer Service Award. All volunteer hours should be documented on the following forms, using as many sheets as necessary. The President's Awards that are available are based on the age of the student and the number of hours of volunteer service.

Application forms should be submitted to the Chamber of Commerce by February 1, 2017.

Applications forms and information are available at the Chamber of Commerce office,

the Chamber's website: www.jacksonvilleareachamber.org,

the Jacksonville School District 117 website: www.jsd117.org, or local school offices.

Jacksonville Area Chamber of Commerce

217-245-2174 - 155 W. Morton Ave., Jacksonville, IL 62650 - www.jacksonvilleareachamber.org

Student Volunteer Awards

General Criteria

- The student must meet the age requirements.
- The student's volunteer hours can be done at one or more locations in one calendar year.
- The volunteer hours may take place at civic organizations, other schools, summer school, churches, hospitals, the Chamber of Commerce, nursing homes, environmental organizations, service organizations, camp, tutoring, mentoring, etc.
- The student must not be paid for their activities.
- The adult (non-family member) supervising the volunteer activity must verify the volunteer hours.
- The school principal and student must complete and submit the application form along with the completed verification forms.

Possible Volunteer Sites

Animal Shelters	Passavant Area Hospital
Big Brothers Big Sisters	Pathway Services Unlimited
Boy Scouts	P.A.W.S.
Child Care Centers	Public Libraries
Churches	Relay for Life
Food Pantry	Retirement Centers
Girl Scouts	Retreat Centers
Habitat for Humanity	Salvation Army
Imagine Foundation	Sports Groups
Jacksonville Dream Center Foundation	Summer Camps
Jacksonville Theatre Guild	West Central Illinois Youth Camp
Mia Ware Foundation	Woodhaven Volunteer Hospice
Mission Projects	YMCA
Muzzarelli Theatrical Deaf Puppets	Youth Groups
Nursing Homes	

You may also go to the **Volunteer Connections** section on the Chamber's website for more:
www.jacksonvilleareachamber.org



2016 Student Volunteer Awards Application Form

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Name of your Mayor _____

Student's name: _____ Grade: ____ Age: ____ Gender (circle): M F

School: _____ Principal: _____ Principal's Signature: _____

Parent or Guardian's name(s): _____

Address: _____
Street City of Residence Zip Phone

Student's Email: _____ Parent's Email: _____

Nominee's interests and/or hobbies: _____

Nominee's future goals: _____

Total Hours of Service: _____ (January 1 to December 31, 2016)

I am applying for the following award(s):

Mayors' Student Volunteer Award

____ Students ages 6 to 21 (75 hours or more)

President's Volunteer Service Award:

Kids ages 5 to 10 – choose one:

____ Bronze (26 to 49 hours) ____ Silver (50 to 74 hours) ____ Gold (75 hours or more)

Teens ages 11 to 15 – choose one:

____ Bronze (50 to 74 hours) ____ Silver (75 to 99 hours) ____ Gold (100 hours or more)

Young Adults ages 16 to 21 – choose one:

____ Bronze (100 to 174 hrs) ____ Silver (175 to 249 hrs) ____ Gold (250 hours or more)

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Location at which the student volunteered: _____

Number of volunteer hours: _____ Beginning Date: _____ Ending Date: _____

Description of volunteer activities: _____

Name of supervisor (printed): _____

Phone number of supervisor: _____

Address of supervisor: _____

Signature of supervisor (not a parent) verifying volunteer hours: _____

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Student Volunteer Awards (continued)

Student's Name: _____

Location at which the student volunteered: _____

Number of volunteer hours: _____ Beginning Date: _____ Ending Date: _____

Description of volunteer activities: _____

Name of supervisor (printed): _____

Phone number of supervisor: _____

Address of supervisor: _____

Signature of supervisor (not a parent) verifying volunteer hours: _____



Location at which the student volunteered: _____

Number of volunteer hours: _____ Beginning Date: _____ Ending Date: _____

Description of volunteer activities: _____

Name of supervisor (printed): _____

Phone number of supervisor: _____

Address of supervisor: _____

Signature of supervisor (not a parent) verifying volunteer hours: _____



Location at which the student volunteered: _____

Number of volunteer hours: _____ Beginning Date: _____ Ending Date: _____

Description of volunteer activities: _____

Name of supervisor (printed): _____

Phone number of supervisor: _____

Address of supervisor: _____

Signature of supervisor (not a parent) verifying volunteer hours: _____

Please attach additional pages if you volunteered at more locations.

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