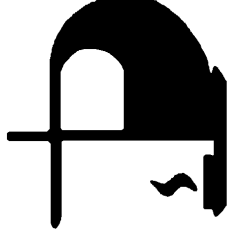


Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board

# PASSPORT



**CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY SERVICE**  
**LEARNING TO SERVE**  
**SERVING TO LEARN**

*You did not choose me; I chose you and appointed you to go and bear much fruit, the kind of fruit that endures. This then is what I command you: love one another. (John 15: 16-17)*

**CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY**  
**PASSPORT TO THE**  
**WORLD OF SERVICE**

Learning to Serve  
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## **CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT SERVICE PROJECT**

The Ontario Secondary School Diploma requirements expect you, the student, to locate a worthy area for service within your community and complete 40 hours as a graduation requirement. We support this project because it encourages you to have a deeper understanding of the Christian call to service and to live out this call by participating in various forms of community outreach for the sake of your own personal growth and supporting and strengthening your community.

Christian community service is not meant to be a chore. Instead, we invite you to see serving others as a privilege – something that gives you a good feeling, boosts your self-esteem and makes you more aware of your own good fortune. To that end, we invite you to carefully consider your Christian service project and to complete it with a positive attitude.

### **EXPECTATIONS**

#### **OVERALL EXPECTATIONS**

- Perform service within your community
- Experience opportunities to acquire new knowledge, attitudes and skills
- Reflect on your community service in the context of your faith

#### **SPECIFIC EXPECTATIONS**

- Develop moral and ethical responsibility to the community
- Understand and accept social and civic responsibility
- Be presented with basic skills acquisition opportunities
- Access opportunities in the community for intellectual development
- Develop peer leadership and mentoring skills
- Have an enhanced career awareness
- Gain a better understanding of multicultural and equity issues
- Develop personally
- Have improved self-image and confidence
- Gain greater confidence in social situations and adult interaction
- Have increased social sensitivity
- Sense an obligation to participate in the public process
- Have a greater awareness of interdependence within society
- Gain understanding of our obligation to others
- Develop an increased motivation and interest in learning
- Gain experience, knowledge and skills related to the world of work

## **SAMPLES OF ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Foodpath (Foodbank in Mississauga)</li> <li>*Meadowvale youth drop-in centre</li> <li>*Participate in local SADD chapter</li> <li>*Catholic Family Services volunteer</li> <li>*Salvation Army Family Shelter</li> <li>*Out of the Cold program (Brampton)</li> <li>*Hospital and seniors home volunteer</li> <li>*Work with special needs children</li> <li>*Meadowvale Kinder Kampus</li> <li>*Serve on Mayor's Youth Council</li> <li>*Volunteer at soup kitchen</li> <li>*St. John's Ambulance pet therapy</li> <li>*Elderly and shut-in visitation programs</li> <li>*Write newsletters for your parish</li> <li>*Sports coaching for disadvantaged</li> <li>*Work with intellectually challenged</li> <li>*Work with Service Clubs in area</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Eden Food Bank</li> <li>*Tutor younger children</li> <li>*Poverty Forum</li> <li>*Christmas baskets</li> <li>*Humane society volunteer</li> <li>*Knights Table</li> <li>*Retreat leader</li> <li>*Fundraising for ShareLife</li> <li>*Work in shelters for women</li> <li>*Organize a river cleanup</li> <li>*Read to visually impaired</li> <li>*Work on parish programs</li> <li>*Make video on social issue</li> <li>*Vita Manor</li> <li>*Create history of local area</li> <li>*Chronic care visitation</li> <li>*Program for latch-key kids</li> </ul> |
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## **INELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES**

- \*Logging or mining (if under 16)
- \*Workplace (if under 14)
- \*Normally performed for wages
- \*Involves power tools or scaffolding
- \*Involves "designated substances"
- \*Requires tradesperson knowledge
- \*Consists of personal recreation
- \*Duplication for credit in other courses
- \*Work done during school instruction
- \*Class or course requirements
- \*Factory work (if under 15)
- \*Involves operation of vehicle
- \*Involves handling valuables
- \*Involves medication to others
- \*Consists of home duties
- \*Work for commercial business
- \*Court-appointed work
- \*Organizations whose mandate is contrary to Church teachings

Please refer to the Parent's manual for additional eligible activities. Please note that retreats are **NOT** an eligible activity to count toward community service.

**NOTE: Ensure that this passport is stored in a safe place. Duplication is not possible.**

## PRAYER OF COMMISSIONING

Good and gracious God, who are we that you have loved us so well?



When we find ourselves so often difficult to trust, how is it that you have given us this world of yours, each other, and a future that is in our hand?

We have need of your compassion, your power and your wisdom. Our own wisdom has once again proven inadequate in the face of so much need.

Be strong in us. Purify our intentions. Deepen our commitment. Be for us all that we need. Be God for us. We await your saving presence.

**NOTE: PARENTS/STUDENTS – Please keep this passport in a safe place. Recorded hours are needed for graduation.**



## CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY PASSPORT TO THE WORLD OF SERVICE

This passport belongs to the individual student whose name appears on the next page. It is an important document; if lost, please return to the indicated owner.

This passport is your record of Christian Community Service during your tenure at a Catholic high school. Each page represents the hours of service for each activity. To be official, each page must be signed by the student, parent/guardian, service work contact person and a school (or Board) official.

Forty (40) hours of recognized service must be completed before graduation. Though this requirement can be accomplished within one year, it is hoped that you will engage in more than one activity over two or more years. It is further hoped that you will become interested in service to others, and exceed the minimum 40 hour requirement.

Suggested sample activities, and those considered ineligible, are listed on the inside back cover. The samples are suggestions. **Please ensure all activities are approved and eligible prior to commencement of the activity.**

*\*Parents/students are responsible for this document.\**

**THIS PASSPORT BELONGS TO:**

\_\_\_\_\_ (surname)

\_\_\_\_\_ (given name and initial)

\_\_\_\_\_ (birth date) \_\_\_\_\_ (student identification number)

\_\_\_\_\_ (school)

\_\_\_\_\_ (address of school)

\_\_\_\_\_ (telephone number of school)

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**Parents/Students: Ensure hours are recorded in this document and by the school.**

**CERTIFICATION OF COMPLETION**

This is to certify that \_\_\_\_\_ has completed his/her 40 hours of Christian Community Involvement Service, as mandated by the Ontario Secondary Schools, Grade 9 to 12: Program and Diploma Requirements, 1999 (OSS).

In addition to performing the community service outlined within the passport, the student has reflected on the people and events of the program, his/her own feelings toward service, what he/she has learned from the experience and how service and faith intertwine.

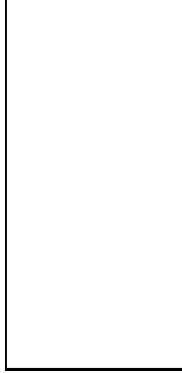
\_\_\_\_\_ (Signature of Student)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Signature of Parent or Guardian – if under 18)



When the box is checked, completion of the 40 hours has been noted on the student's OST

\_\_\_\_\_ (Signature of School Official) \_\_\_\_\_ Date



Official Stamp

**Graduation Requirement: Keep in a safe place.**

**EXPERIENCE 4**

**CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY SERVICE**

**LEARNING TO SERVE AND SERVING TO LEARN**

Given below is the outline of my service work proposal. I understand that I must obtain the agreement of my parent/guardian if I am under 18. I understand that if the proposed activity is not one approved by the Dufferin-Peel CDSB, I must obtain approval from the principal **prior to** commencement of the activity. I further understand that my service responsibility includes reflection on the people and events encountered, my feelings about the service and what I learned.

Name & Location of Sponsoring Agency \_\_\_\_\_

Description of my contribution to the community through this activity \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated Number of Hours \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Principal \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Student \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Parent (if required) \_\_\_\_\_

This is to certify that \_\_\_\_\_ has completed \_\_\_\_\_ hours of the community service experience outlined above.

Date completed \_\_\_\_\_ Service Supervisor (name & phone number) \_\_\_\_\_ Supervisor's signature \_\_\_\_\_

This is to certify that \_\_\_\_\_ hours of Christian Community Service have been recorded in the student's school file.

Signature of School Official \_\_\_\_\_ Date Entered \_\_\_\_\_

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**EXPERIENCE 1**

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