



Majors Program Community Service Guidelines



A 30-hour community service project may be completed by Majors Program students as a culminating event. The School to Career Coordinator must approve the project prior to its start. The project must have an adult supervisor who can confirm time and activities and evaluate the student. The following guidelines must apply to community service projects:

- ❑ The community service project should not be:
 - A part of a class or activity that is already part of the student's Majors Program requirements.
 - An activity for which a student is personally rewarded either financially or with some other benefit.
 - Doing simple, tedious and repetitive work, like returning school library books to the shelves
 - Working in an elderly people's or children's home when the student:
 - Has no idea of how the home operates
 - Is just making sandwiches
 - Has no contact at all with the elderly or children
 - Actually has no service for other people
- ❑ A passive pursuit, such as a visit to a museum, the theatre, art exhibition, concert or sports event, unless it clearly exposes students to work-based learning skills
- ❑ All forms of duty related to the family
- ❑ Religious devotion and any activity which can be interpreted as proselytizing
- ❑ Fund raising with no clearly defined end in sight.
- ❑ An activity where there is no responsible adult on site to evaluate and confirm student performance
- ❑ Activities which cause division amongst different groups in the community

The following questions aim to help students determine whether or not an intended activity qualifies for Majors Program Community Service:

- ❑ Is the activity an appropriate role for me to explore a career field related to my Major?
- ❑ Is it a real task that I am undertaking?
- ❑ What will I learn about my career field of interest by getting involved?
- ❑ How can this activity benefit other people?
- ❑ What can I reflect on during this activity?

Great Community Service Projects are:

- ❑ Sponsored by well respected public and human services organizations like Big Brothers / Big Sisters, Los Robles Regional Medical Center, Lutheran Social Services, Moorpark College, Boy / Girl Scouts, etc.