



SACRED HEART HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents, Guardians, and Students of the Class of 2020,

Peace and all good!

It is our hope that by now you are acclimating to the Sacred Heart Family: we are a diverse community, united by our common love of God and neighbor.

At Sacred Heart, we hope to create a school that moves beyond its walls, into the community, engaging in service for our brothers and sisters, especially those who are most in need. One of the ways we do this is to encourage Christian service by our students. We require each student to perform twenty-five (25) hours of service each year they attend Sacred Heart, resulting in a total of one hundred (100) hours by graduation. Students are, of course, encouraged to surpass this total (and many do!).

Service is more than just action: it requires us to reflect upon these experiences: who we meet and what we do. In order to make certain that this reflection takes place, Sacred Heart has established certain procedures regarding service hours for members of its freshmen class. This process will expand to each grade level over the next four years. We wanted to share them with you here:

- Students are required to perform 25 service hours during their freshmen (9th grade) year;
- Each time a student performs service, he/she should fill out the attached form and have the supervisor of the service activity sign it (FORM A);
- Every student will need to select one service activity and fill out the attached “service reflection”. It should be submitted to his/her Theology Teacher. This may be done at any time during the year; it must be done, however, before the beginning of the fourth quarter (FORM B).
- Every student, after completing the reflection, will be required to meet with a selected faculty member and other students to discuss their service experience. These meetings will take place periodically and will be announced as they are scheduled.

We hope that the service that the Members of the Class of 2020 perform this year will not only benefit those who are in need, but will also provide our students with opportunities for reflection on our shared vocation to serve our brothers and sisters.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us via email, mjaneczko@sacredhearths.org or facosta@sacredhearths.org.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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