

Loyola Community Service

As part of the diploma requirements, students must complete a minimum of 40 hours of community involvement activities. These activities may be completed at any time during their years in the secondary school program.

The community involvement requirement is designed to encourage students to develop awareness and understanding of civic responsibility and of the role they can play in supporting and strengthening their communities. The requirement will benefit communities, but its primary purpose is to contribute to students' development. It will provide opportunities for students to learn about the contributions they can make to the community.



Students are first informed about diploma requirements, including the community involvement requirement, in Grades 7 and 8. Students, in collaboration with their parents, will decide how they will complete the community involvement requirement. They may use their individual pathway plan to identify possible activities they might undertake.

Community involvement activities may take place in a variety of settings, including not-for-profit organizations, public sector institutions (including hospitals), and informal settings. Students may not fulfill the requirement through activities that are counted towards a credit (cooperative education and work experience, for example), through paid work, or by assuming duties normally performed by a paid employee.

The requirement is to be completed outside the students' normal instructional hours – that is, the activities are to take place in students' designated lunch hours, after school, on weekends, or during school holidays.

Students will maintain and provide a record of their community involvement activities. Completion of the required 40 hours must be confirmed by the organizations or persons supervising the activities. Documentation attesting to the completion of each activity must be submitted to the principal by the student. This documentation must include for each activity the name of the person or organization receiving the service, the activity performed, the dates and hours and a signed acknowledgement by the person (or a representative of the organization) involved. The principal will decide whether the student has met the requirements of both the ministry and the board for these activities.

Pre-approval for activities is highly recommended.

Please contact your guidance counsellor for more information.

If you are interested in an Agency not listed below, check out the following websites:

The Halton Social Planning Council and Volunteer Centre: www.haltonvolunteer.org

The Halton Community Services Directory: www.hhplon.ca/hcd/hcd.html

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Here is a list of local agencies to contact for Volunteer Hours:

- Arthritis Society – Burlington 905-632-9390
- Bereaved Families of Ontario (Halton Peel Chapter) 905-813-4337
- Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Halton 905-339-2355
- Big Sister Youth Services 905-529-7262
- Brain Injury Services of Hamilton 905-528-8852, Ext. 156
- Breast Cancer Support Services 905-634-2333
- Canadian Cancer Society – Oakville Unit 905-845-5231
- Canadian Diabetes Associations (1060 Speers Rd.) 905-338-0214, Ext 231
- Canadian Food for Children, Mississauga 416-233-4866
- Canadian Mental Health Association – Halton Region 905-693-4270
- Canadian National Institute for the Blind – Halton/Peel 1-888-275-5332
Volunteers work with people who are blind and visually impaired by reading mail, grocery shopping and going for walks or the mall.
- Canadian Red Cross Society – 167 Navy Street 905-845-5241
- CAVEAT 905-632-1733
- Celebrating Literacy 632-1975 and 878-0955
Volunteer opportunities to read with children in small groups or to one setting.
- Child Find Ontario Inc. 905-842-5353
Volunteers needed to help educate the public on safeguarding themselves.
- Children’s Assessments and Treatment Centre 905-634-2347
- Christian Horizons, Halton area 905-844-0598
- City of Oakville Parks and Recreation 905-845-6602
Leisure Link, Adventures in Aquatics, Bowling, Softball, Community Activities, Travel, Crafts and Friday Night Drop In, One-on-one and group activities for children/youth/adults with disabilities
- Coalition for Persons with Disabilities, Peel Halton Dufferin 905-569-2225
- Community Foundation of Oakville 905-845-7841
- Community Living Oakville 905-844-0146
- Community Resource Services 905-632-6531
- Country Heritage Park 905-878-8151
- Crimestoppers 1-800-222-8477
- Crohn’s and Colitis Foundation of Canada, Halton Chapter 905-335-4161
- Distress Centre Oakville 905-849-4559
- ERINOAK, Serving Young People with Physical Disabilities 905-820-7111
- Good Shepherd Centres, Hamilton 905-528-9109
- Grace House Inc. 905-844-4772
- Halton AIDS Network 905-842-1545
- Halton Adolescent Support Services 905-639-0024
Volunteers needed for committees, fundraising & special events
- Halton Anti-Poverty Coalition 905-634-2512
- Halton Aphasia Centre 905-681-8805
- Halton Catholic District School Board 905-632-6300
- Halton Catholic District School Board, Adult Learning Centre 905-257-3688
- Halton Children’s Aid Society 905-333-4441, Ext. 229
- Halton Community Legal Services 905-875-2069
- Halton District School Board 905-335-3663

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- Halton Down Syndrome Association 905-825-8632
- Halton Helping Hands 950-844-0252 or 878-6403
- Halton Multicultural Council 905-842-2486
- Halton Parent Mentoring Association 905-637-0066
- Halton Police Service, Capacity for Hope 905-634-1831
- Halton Police Service, Victim Services Unit 905-825-4777, Ext. 5035
- Halton Pro-Life 905-632-3232
Serves the community by promoting respect for life from conception to normal death through education awareness.
- Halton Rape Crisis Centre 905-825-3622
- Halton Recovery House Incorporated 905-878-1120
- Halton Regional Police Service, Neighbourhood Watch Program 905-634-1831, Ext. 2324
- Halton Regional Police, Communities on Phone Patrol 905-825-4777, Ext. 5035
- Halton Social Planning Council and Volunteer Centre 905-632-1975
- Halton SPC and Volunteer Centre, Intergenerational Program 905-632-1975
- Heart and Stroke Foundation 905-634-7732
A variety of volunteer positions available in the office, computer work, board member etc.
- Joseph Brant Museum, Burlington 905-332-9888 or 905-634-3556
- Joyce Scoot Non-profit Homes 905-878-6722
- Junior Achievement of Halton 905-637-7200
- Junior Civitan – 1172 Falgarwood Drive, Oakville 905-849-0600
- Lions Foundation of Canada, Special Skills Dogs of Canada 905-842-2891
- The Literacy Council of Burlington 905-631-1770
'Read for Life' volunteer tutors work one-on-one with adults to improve their reading, writing and math skills.
- Lung Association, Halton Region Office 905-847-1033
- The Mariam Child & Family Support Group 905-681-7157
- Mothers Against Drunk Drivers Canada, Halton Chapter 905-844-0096
- Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada, Halton Chapter 905-681-8770
- NCCI Computer Bank 905-631-8091
- Oaklands Regional Centre 905-844-7864
- Oakville/Burlington Dispute Mediators 905-844-5414
- Oakville Community Centre for Peace, Ecology and Human Rights 905-849-5501
- Oakville & District Humane Society 905-845-1551
- Oakville Family YMCA 905-845-3417
- Oakville Galleries Volunteer Association 905-845-1651
- Oakville Historical Society – 110 King Street 905-844-2695
- Oakville Kowanis Meals on Wheels 905-842-1411
- Oakville Lifecare Centre 905-845-9933
- Oakville March of Dimes, Design Ability Program 905-528-9432, Ext. 219
- Oakville Museum 905-338-4400
- Oakville Parks & Recreation Department 905-845-6601, Ext. 3155
- Oakville Public Library 905-815-2042
- Oakville Senior Citizens Recreation Centre 905-815-5966
- Oakville Senior Citizen Residence 905-827-4139
- Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital 905-338-4643
- Oakville YMCA Youth Services 905-845-3417
- Ontario March of Dimes, Oakville Supported Living Program 905-845-7412

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- Ontario Special Olympics, Oakville 905-844-3881
- PASS-CAN (Postpartum Adjustment Support Services Canada) 905-844-9009
- Salvation Army Oakville, Food Bank, Family Services 905-827-5324, Ext. 28
- Scott Mission in Toronto 416-923-8872
- SENECA – Seniors Day Program 905-337-8937
- Seniors and Law Enforcement Together (SALT) 905-844-2365
- The Society for Animal Control 905-845-1551
- St. John Ambulance, Oakville & Milton Branches 905-469-9325
- STRIDE (Supported Training & Rehabilitation in Diverse Environment) 905-693-4252
- Tele-Touch 522-9567 *and* 631-1711
Tele-touch strives to assist individuals in Halton to live independently by having caring volunteers provide reassuring telephone contact.
- United Way of Oakville 905-845-5571
- Victorian Order of Nurses, Halton Branch 905-827-8800
- Womens Information & Support Centre of Halton 905-847-9104
- Youth Aiding Youth 905-634-2347