

Bow High School
32 White Rock Hill Road
Bow, NH 03304

COMMUNITY SERVICE DOCUMENTATION

Community Service Graduation Requirement

~All students are required to have a minimum of 20 hours of community service.

~Community service hours are pro-rated at 5 hours per year for those students not attending Bow High School for 4 years.

~Seniors should have all community service hours completed by January 15th of their senior year in order to participate in graduation in June.

This is to verify that community service was performed.

Student Name: _____

Grade: _____ Year of Graduation: _____

Hours worked: _____ Date of Service: _____

Pre-approved by: _____
Guidance Counselor/Administrator

Describe your community service and tell how it meets the definition of service to the community:

Signature of person supervising community service activity:

*This form must be filled out **completely** or hours will not be accounted for!
Once it is completed return it to your guidance counselor.*

<i>For office use only</i>
<i>Date:</i>
<i>Initials:</i>

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DEFINITION OF COMMUNITY SERVICE

Community service is volunteerism that occurs in the community---action taken to meet the needs of others and better the community as a whole.

- 1. Such fields as health care, child care, literacy training, education (including tutorial services), welfare, social services, transportation, housing and neighborhood improvement, public safety, crime prevention and control, recreation, rural development, and community improvement;*
- 2. Work in service opportunities or youth corps as defined in the National and Community Service Act of 1990;*
- 3. Support services to students and others with disabilities; and*
- 4. Activities in which a student serves as a mentor for such purposes as tutoring, supporting educational and recreational activities.*
- 5. Suggested activities include but are not limited to:*
 - a. Cleaning a park*
 - b. Collecting much needed items including clothes, shoes, bottle tabs, bottle cans, etc.*
 - c. Getting involved with Habitat for Humanity/Food Pantries/SPCA*
 - d. Reading to people in nursing homes, hospitals, and/or schools*
 - e. Helping out your local fire or police department*
 - f. Helping out in a local shelter or soup kitchen*
 - g. Getting involved with the Friends Program, Big Sisters-Big Brothers Program or other such program*

Based on the definition of community service and the examples above, the following DO NOT qualify for Bow High School Community Service hours:

- 1. Any paid activity*
- 2. Any family related activity*
- 3. Any senior project activity*
- 4. Any fund raising that benefits student run organizations i.e. school dances, bake sales, car washes, etc.*

Students should have their community service hours pre-approved by their guidance counselor/administrator to be sure that they will be accepted for Bow High School graduation requirement.