

St. Patrick – St. Vincent High School
Parent Service Program

Why do we have a Parent Service Program?

- SPSV parents are extremely talented people and we need the contributions of everyone to maintain our excellence.
- Service hours are a great way to meet other families, create a bonded community and get involved in your child's school life. Many studies have established a strong correlation between parental involvement and student success.
- Through your example of service, your children will learn very valuable lessons in ownership and giving back.

What is the Parent Service Program and what types of service count?

- Parents are required to perform 10 hours of service for the 2011- 2012 school year per family.
- Services that benefit the school, its students (for school-related activities), or are in support of an activity or event sponsored by the Advisory Commission, Board of Regents, Parents Club & Boosters may earn service hours. If you are uncertain about a particular service, you may contact Patty Delgado at (707)644-4425 ext. 435 or email p.delgado@spsv.org

How can I find out about service opportunities?

- E-mail is the best way to be informed! The school website (www.spsv.org) is a fabulous tool for all information regarding your student and school. A complete list of volunteer opportunities is available on this website. Please look for the Parent Service Program link for more information. Choose the opportunities that fit into your schedule and your areas of expertise or interest. A reminder email will be sent to all volunteers prior to the event that you are volunteering for. It is essential to notify the school no later than 1 week in advance if you are no longer able to fulfill your service for a particular event. This time frame allows us to put another parent in your spot.
- Parent Service opportunities will also be listed in each newsletter. There are many service opportunities that may not be specifically listed in the newsletter or on the website that count for parent service hours. For example: working snack bars for athletic events, sewing costumes or building sets for theatrical performances, career day presentations, attending board and committee meetings(1 hour per family). These hours are all important service to the SPSV community. Please verify any service opportunities that are not listed on the website with Mrs. Delgado to insure that they will count for the Parent Service Program.

Who may perform the service hours?

- Only parents, grandparents or guardians of SPSV students may perform service hours for the family.

Who will keep track of the service hours?

- Parents are responsible for keeping track of their own hours on a Parent Service Verification Form and submitting it to the school by the grade level deadlines.

Timeline for reporting hours?

- All families receiving **Financial Assistance** must complete at least 10 hours of service by **February 15, 2012**.
- All families of **12th grade students** must complete their hours by **February 24, 2012**.
- All families of **9th-11th grade students** have until **May 15, 2012** to complete their hours.
- Families who have a **senior and a younger Bruin** will have until **May 15, 2012** to complete their service hours.