

Pacifica Christian Service Learning Program

UPDATED for the 2023-2024 School Year

Service to others is an integral part of who we are at Pacifica Christian. When Jesus prays in John 17, He tells us that we are sent out into the world just as He was sent into it. This means that just as He came to serve—not to be served—and give His life as a ransom for many (Mark 10), so we who follow Him are sent to love others in the same way (John 13:34). Accordingly, **we ask each student to give sacrificially to others of their time and talents by completing twenty-five (25) hours of Service Learning each year.**

New & News

- Pacifica has **added three new partnerships** to our program. We encourage you to **click the links below to learn more** about each of them and how you can serve these worthy causes:
 - [Project Giving Light](#)
 - [Jessie Reece Foundation](#)
 - [Love Without Limits](#)
- Pacifica has been **approved as an official Certifying Organization for The President's Volunteer Service Award**. This program allows us to bestow Presidential recognition for exemplary community service hours to our student volunteers. [Click here](#) for the parameters of the President's Volunteer Service Award program.

Students who are interested in recognition from this program must complete their hours and report them to Mr. Massaro no later than June 10, 2024.

- All awards will be processed in June at the end of the school year. The school will certify qualifying hours at that time and medals and certificates will be awarded sometime in late June.

Service Learning Guidelines

Students must follow these guidelines in order for their Service Learning Hours to be accepted:

- **Discuss proposed projects** with your Advisory Group Leader **and obtain their pre-approval** before serving. (Ms. Nunn or Mr. Massaro can approve projects during the summer months.)
- **Log all Service Learning Hours into the [MobileServe app](#)** and submit them for approval to someone in authority, preferably your Advisory Group Leader or the person who supervised your work. (This cannot be a parent).
- Earn no more than 15 of your 25 total hours during the summer months.
- **Complete and submit** all 25 hours before June 7, 2024.
- Service hours that are required by another approved non-profit organization (ie: RTwelve and NCL) are allowed to be used for Pacifica Christian Service Learning requirements.

NOTE: While there are things you do as part of a family (mowing the grass, cleaning the garage, etc.) that are important, they do not count toward Service Learning Hours, nor do things you are required to do as part of any job for which you are paid or any disciplinary measures given to you.

Examples of Approved Projects from 2022-2023

- Love Costa Mesa
- Beach Clean-Ups
- Project Giving Light
- OC Marathon Event Volunteers
- Service at School Events
 - Dedication, Graduation, TGC Events, Open Houses, Fundraisers, Summer Kids Summer Basketball Camp
- Church Mission Trips
- Vacation Bible School
- Volunteering in various Local Church/Non-profit ministries
 - Worship Ministry, Children's Ministry, Sound and Tech Teams, Youth Ministry
- Working at a Homeless Shelter
- Visiting Retirement Home Residents
- Taking Meals to a Neighbor and Visiting with Them
- Animal Shelters
- 30-Hour Famine
- Operation Christmas Child
- Service Learning Trip with Pacifica

How to Submit Your Service Learning Hours

All hours must be **logged into the MobileServe App** either on a personal device or on a school-issued iPad. For your convenience, this **app has already been pre-installed on all school iPads**. [Click here to download the app to your personal device.](#)

- If this is your first time logging in, click "Sign Up" and use your Pacifica email address to create an account.
- If you already have an account, use your Pacifica email address and password to access and record your hours.

Need Help?

If you have any questions about our Service Learning Program, using the MobileServe App, or anything above, please email Neil Massaro at nmassaro@pacificaac.org