Instruction BP 6142.4

COMMUNITY SERVICE

The Governing Board desires that all students develop a sense of social responsibility. To encourage this development, the Board shall offer students opportunities to perform volunteer duties in cooperation with District schools, community agencies, and businesses. The Board believes that volunteer service can help students gain self-confidence and respect for one's self and others, reinforce skills, discover career options, and learn the value of helping others. Community service motivates students to learn by relating the curriculum to the needs of the community at large.

(cf. 6158 - Independent Study)

Parents/guardians of student volunteers shall receive information about the community service program and its benefits for both the community and the student.

The Board recognizes that adult volunteers set a positive example of community involvement for our students. The Board welcomes these adults as classroom mentors and volunteer trainers to assist school community service programs.

(cf. 1240 - Volunteer Assistance)

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