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INSTRUCTION

Community Service

The board recognizes that volunteering connects students to their communities and provides an opportunity for students to practice and apply their academic and social skills in preparation for entering the workforce. The board further recognizes that community service is associated with increased civic awareness and participation by students, and can inspire students to continue their education and skill development beyond high school. Students are encouraged to participate in community service activities as a part of their high school graduation requirements. The board will implement an incentive program to recognize students for achievement in community service and may, in its discretion, include community service in the district's high school graduation/diploma requirements.

Recognition of a student's participation in community service may be done at any grade level.

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<u>Cross References</u>: Board Policy 2410 High School Graduation Requirements

Legal References: ESHB 1412 RCW 28A.320 Provisions Applicable to all Districts

Management Resources:

Policy and Legal News, June 2013 State law requires that districts adopt community service incentive policy