

Students can earn Presidential Service Awards



Dear Students, Teachers and Parents,

This year Bainbridge High School applied and is proud to be a partner in distributing the President's Volunteer Service Award. Recognizing and honoring volunteers sets a standard for service, encourages a sustained commitment to civic participation, and inspires others to make service a central part of their lives.

The President's Volunteer Service Award recognizes individuals that have achieved a certain standard – measured by the number of hours of service over a 12-month period or cumulative hours earned over the course of a lifetime.

Any student enrolled at BHS is eligible to earn a Presidential Service Award. Simply keep an accurate record of your volunteer hours with proof of service from a volunteer supervisor. You may also track your volunteer hours online using the electronic tracker located on the Presidential Service Awards website. For more information, visit <http://www.presidentialserviceawards.gov>.

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Award Criteria

Any individual, family, or group can receive Presidential recognition for volunteer hours earned over a 12-month period or over the course of a lifetime at home or abroad. The following are the eligibility requirements for each age group:



Presidential Volunteer Service Award Criteria

Bronze Level

- 100-174 Service Hours Completed



Presidential Volunteer Service Award Criteria

Silver Level.

- 175-249 Service Hours Completed



Presidential Volunteer Service Award Criteria

Gold Level.

- 250 or more Service Hours Completed



Presidential Volunteer Service Award Criteria

All Ages

4,000 hours or more of volunteer service (over a lifetime).



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WASHINGTON

Congratulations on receiving the President's Volunteer Service Award, and thank you for helping to address the most pressing needs in your community and our country.

In my Inaugural Address, I stated that we need a new era of responsibility—a recognition on the part of every American that we have duties to ourselves, our Nation, and the world. These are duties that we do not grudgingly accept, but rather seize gladly, firm in the knowledge that there is nothing so satisfying to the spirit than giving our all to a difficult task. Your volunteer service demonstrates the kind of commitment to your community that moves America a step closer to its great promise.

Our Nation faces the most challenging economic crisis in a lifetime. We will only renew America if we all work together. Individuals, the private sector, and government must combine efforts to make real and lasting change so that each person has the opportunity to fulfill his or her potential.

While government can open more opportunities for us to serve our communities, it is up to each of us to seize these opportunities. Thank you for your devotion to service and for doing all you can to shape a better tomorrow for our great Nation.

