Raymond High School – Community Service Requirement

Students are required to participate in community service for a total of 100 hours.

A. Community service is defined as time spent improving our community that does not have personal benefit as its primary goal.

B. In order to qualify as service hours, the following requirements must be met:
   i. The service must meet a demonstrable community need.
   ii. Local agencies, school personnel, organizations and/or community groups must be involved in identifying the need and developing the project.
   iii. Someone other than the student(s) providing the service must benefit from the service.

C. Examples of service include participating in community clean-up, charity events, community performances, tutoring, etc. Some service hours may also be earned by attending community and service organization meetings, i.e., Lions Club, Kiwanis, city council, school board, etc.

D. The only class in which service hours can be earned is Leadership.

E. Elected officers may not receive service hours for performing their official duties.

F. Normally, these hours will be earned in this manner:
   i. Freshmen–10 hours
   ii. Sophomores– 20 hours
   iii. Juniors– 30 hours
   iv. Seniors– 40 hours

G. Transfer students are required to earn those hours associated with the year they transferred in. For example, a student who transferred in at the beginning of his/her Junior year would be required to earn 70 service hours. The same process will be used upon implementation of this requirement.

H. Hours will be reported on the appropriate form to the counseling office.

I. Student diplomas will note the total number of service hours earned.