COMMUNITY SERVICE IDEAS
CSF/CJSF STATE MOTTO, "SCHOLARS FOR SERVICE"

**Important:** Create a verification of service form and distribute to students before they perform service. Include: student name, event, authorized adult signature, date, number of hours, etc.). You may need to verify adult signatures.

**Suggestion:** Contact your local newspaper or t.v. news channel to promote, publicize your event.

**Ideas:**
- Adopt a bus bench
- Adopt a family in need (e.g., Thanksgiving baskets)
- Adopt a museum display
- Adopt a new student to help ease their transition
- Adopt A: Grandparent or Preschool or Bulletin Board
- Adopt a Highway (every quarter)
- Animal Literacy: socialization at the animal shelter (read to dogs)
- Answer Letters To Santa
- ASPCA (e.g., collect blankets for animal shelters, etc.)
- Assist at Open House or Back-to-School Night
- Assist at track meets and other school or community events
- Assist AVID with tutoring
- Assist during textbook distribution
- Bicycle repairs
- Box top for elementary schools (count them)
- Breast Cancer Awareness
- Candy Stripers
- Celebrate the local police or firefighters and host a dinner for them
- City parade volunteers
- Christmas caroling
- Church pantry volunteers
- Collect coats or blankets for the homeless
- Collect e-waste and donate items for a cause
- Collect new or gently used books for local shelters or a school in need
- Collect shoes or tee-shirts/clothes for those in need (e.g., homeless or students)
- Collect something every month
- Contact a chapter of Make-A-Wish Foundation for opportunities to help
- Contact Operation Gratitude and coordinate a project
- Contact Ronald McDonald House and organize a collection
- Contact Blankets of Love and organize a project
- Contact Project Angel Tree

Coordinate community service with local agencies/orgns (e.g., community members Kiwanis, Lions, etc.)
Convalescent hospital Valentine’s Dance (host)
Curb address painting
Decorate doors at senior centers
Disaster Relief Collections (e.g., Hurricane Harvey)
Errands for the elderly
Give computer lessons to the elderly
Go online to the community volunteer center for places to serve
Graduation volunteers: decorate, distribute programs, etc.
Graffiti Clean Up
Hand-deliver cards to VA workshops
Halloween Festival volunteers
Halloween party, festival or carnival
Happy Hats
Have Community Service officers (e.g., Chairperson or VP for Community Service)
Help at events for special needs children
Help in a soup kitchen or food pantry
Help with Freshman Orientation
Hold a canned food drive or (gently-used or new) for those in need; food banks
Hold a Christmas toy drive
Hold a campus clean-up day (or a clean-up day at some community location, e.g., beach)
Holiday baskets for those in need
Host a prom for senior citizens
Host Knowledge Bowl competitions (Jeopardy –style trivia) between teachers and students/students
Host a CSF/CJSF spring conference
Host the school district's annual spelling bee
Hold a jump-a-thon for the American Heart Assn (or other group)
House/pet sitting
Make A Wish Foundation

Make holiday cards or write notes to military personnel (boot camp, overseas, etc.)
Make paracord bracelets (Google instructions)
Mentor youth groups
Organize a campus blood drive in coordination with the American Red Cross
Organize a school supply drive for schools in need
Organize a staff appreciation day event
Plant a tree
Participate in Relay for Life
Pennies for (Patients, etc.)
Place flags on Veterans' graves at holidays
Organize a Project Hunger (or similar, Project Food Pack)
Provide hospitality treats for new students or for Teacher Recognition Week
Pumpkins for kindergartners
Quilts For Linus Project (Www.Projectlinus.Org)
Playground upkeep and repair
Rake lawns for elderly
Reach out to community agencies for families in need that you can serve
Read to younger students (e.g., pre-schools @ lunch, on-campus or at their schools)
Read-a-thon
Recycle (e.g., Ink Cartridges)
Relay for Life
Rose Parade Float decoration
Run the school's tutoring center
Send supplies to troops or families in need
Senior Center visitation (or entertain them)
Serve or furnish refreshments at Senior Awards Night or other events
Serve Thanksgiving dinner
Sing or provide entertainment at hospitals or retirement homes
Sort textbooks for school textbook room
Sponsor a craft or art show
Sponsor a blood drive
Star Wars Read-a-thon
Star Wars Read Night @ the school library. Get donations from Comicon connections
Stuff a bus (with gifts).
Toiletries drive
Trail maintenance projects
Trash can painting
Usher at school events
Valentines for Seniors
Veteran Cards or Donations or Care Packages
Visit convalescent hospitals or senior centers
Volunteer at a hospital, school, library or local centers (senior citizen, convalescent homes, etc.)
Volunteer at a local festival or community event
Volunteer at Special Olympics
Walk dogs
Walk to end Alzheimers
Weed abatement
Wednesday Window Washers
Work with community groups: Chamber of Commerce, Kiwanis, Rotary Club, etc.
Write poetry for the elderly
Write stories for inspiration and share with the sick or elderly