Sophomore Service Learning Program

2025-2026

In their sophomore year, students at Frassati Catholic take what they have learned by serving their school and put it into action in the local community. Sophomores will begin expanding their experience of the Mystical Body of Christ by serving outside of their school community on Pier Giorgio Formation Days as well as starting to do service hours on their own.

Class of 2028 Service Learning Google Classroom Code: bast3rl

Sophomore Year

In the coming school year, you will notice a new category in your quarterly Religion grade. Service Learning will now be a 5% category of your overall quarterly grade.

PIER GIORGIO FORMATION DAYS- In Quarters 2 & 4, the Pier Giorgio Formation Day for sophomores will involve group service projects coordinated by the school.

- o A permission form packet will be distributed at the beginning of the school year. Students will not be permitted to participate without a signed permission form for each field trip.
- o Attendance and participation in the service work of each Pier Giorgio Formation Day will be part of the student's quarterly grade in the service category (5%) of their religion class.

REFLECTIONS- Students will complete an in-class reflection in their religion class each quarter that will go towards the service category (5%) of their religion grade. Students will reflect on their experience of service (both individual service and their experience on Pier Giorgio Formation Days) and make connections with the course curriculum.

SERVICE LOGS- Sophomore students will also complete 5 total hours of service on their own and will document their service hours each time that they serve by submitting a verified service log(s) in Mobile Serve. Students must have a verified log for each day of service.

- A complete service log entry will include the date, location/organization, total number of hours served, and description of the service work performed, as well as the supervisor's name, contact information, and verification of the student's reported information. Verification can be obtained either via a signature at the time of service or via an automatic email from Mobile Serve. No credit will be given for hours submitted without each portion of the log accurately and honestly completed on time.
- o If a student elects to get their hours verified via an email to their supervisor, they are responsible for notifying the supervisor of this procedure and following up with them in a timely manner. Any entries that are not verified by the due date will not receive credit for that quarter (See Due Dates on Page 2).
- o It is strongly recommended that students submit service logs as the hours are completed, rather than all at once right before the due date, to avoid missing signatures/verification. Any entries that are not verified by the due date will not receive credit for that quarter.

QUARTERLY DUE DATES- A student's completion of their quarterly service hour requirement will be reflected in a quarterly grade in the service category (5%) of their religion class. At least <u>2.5 hours</u> must be submitted in Mobile Serve by each of the deadlines listed below. No credit will be given for hours submitted without each portion of the log accurately and honestly completed on time.

- o Q1 Monday, October 6th (2.5 hours)
- o **Q2** Pier Giorgio Formation Day

o Q3 - Friday, February 27th (5 total)

o **Q4** - Pier Giorgio Formation Day

Requirements for Creditable Service:

All service hours must meet each of the following requirements to receive credit.

Must serve a marginalized, needy, or underprivileged community OR be served with a Catholic organization.*

Must be performed entirely outside of your family, school, and home.

Must be done free of charge in a way that does not directly benefit you.

Must be reported in Mobile Serve with a complete & verified service log.

o Note: Parents cannot verify service for their own child and the supervisor signing for the service must witness the entirety of the service work performed.

Examples of types of service that would NOT fulfill the requirements include but are not limited to: babysitting for free, altar serving/cantoring, doing chores for your family, donating items to service agencies, working school events, visiting a relative in the hospital/nursing home. These are all good things, but do not meet the requirements for seniors at Frassati Catholic. If you are interested in a form of service but are in any way unsure if it meets the requirements, confirm eligibility with Mrs. Labadie beforehand.

- To help you get started, there will be a list of pre-approved agencies in the Google Classroom, on your Mobile Serve account, and on the school website. If you choose to serve with one of these organizations, you do not need to ask for approval first. This list is ever evolving so, if you have a suggestion for additional agencies to include, please fill out the form found in your Google Classroom to get it added & approved.
 - * While we encourage all our students to practice full and active participation at each liturgy they attend, liturgical service (lectoring, cantoring, altar serving, etc.) will not count for service hours in 2025-2026.

The St. Teresa of Calcutta Service Award

The St. Teresa of Calcutta Service Award honors 10th graders who demonstrate cheerful, selfless service both on Pier Giorgio Formation Days and in their own individual service work. Inspired by Mother Teresa's humble devotion to the poorest of the poor, the award reminds us that true service is not about doing great things, but about doing small things with great love. This award will be presented at the Summit Awards Night at the end of the school year.

Summer Notes

- ➤ If you plan to start on your service hours this summer, please first make sure that it fits the requirements above. Please refer to the school website for a list of FAQs in regards to service requirements at Frassati Catholic. If you would like to serve at an organization that is not already pre-approved, please submit a Plan Agreement. Students can find and submit the Plan Agreement in their Service Learning Google Classroom.
- ➤ If you have further questions, please contact Mrs. Labadie at m.labadie@frassaticatholic.org prior to June 11th. Questions and plan agreements submitted after that point should be directed to Mr. Valka at m.valka2@frassaticatholic.org.