



2020-2021 THS MVP: MUSTANGS VOLUNTEERING PROUDLY

*AVAILABLE TO SENIORS ONLY

The THS Mission Statement asserts, “Students must learn to THINK critically and solve real world problems with information that can be difficult or ambiguous. Students must learn that success is more often born of WORK, persistence, and grit, than of talent and natural ability. Students will GROW their intellectual and physical skills through hard work, practice, and belief in themselves.” One way to accomplish all this is to encourage and highlight students giving back to the community through volunteerism. The “Mustangs Volunteering Proudly” program is aimed at doing just that.

Taylor High School’s administration, faculty, and staff strongly encourage volunteerism in our students and it is hoped that participating students will:

- Explore learning on their own
- Observe that learning takes place everywhere
- Become a resource to their community
- See the school as a helpful part of the community
- See the disciplines taught in school integrated into life’s work

The desired outcomes for this program are:

- A sense of caring and belonging
- Awareness of community needs
- Communication skills
- Leadership skills
- Reliable working skills

All seniors who successfully complete the program will be allowed to wear a white honor cord during their graduation. The requirements necessary to receive recognition at graduation are: **Completion of a minimum of 60 hours of documented community service between the dates of April 1, 2020, and March 31st, 2021.**

This community service CANNOT include hours of service that a student might also be doing for the National Honor Society or Student Council. These hours must be volunteer hours performed outside the student’s home, outside of school hours, benefit the community, and for which no payment is received. (60 hours = maximum of 10 hours per event per day; 30 hours maximum on any one event.)

***Community service hours are documented through www.x2vol.com.**

Entries must include:

- Name of the community organization/event.
- Name and email of supervisor.
- Date(s) of service and total hours. (maximum of 10 hours per day/30 hours per event)
- Description of the service performed and how your work was a benefit to the program or event.
- Note any insights, questions, problems, lessons, etc.

Any hours not documented, verified, and approved in www.x2vol.com by March 31, 2021, will NOT be accepted. The THS Principal or the Senior Assistant Principal reserve the right to withhold awards if it is believed that a student has violated the spirit of this program.

www.x2vol.com will allow students to track and document their service activities throughout the school year. All hours must be verified by the community service project coordinator (teacher, club sponsor, administrator, hospital and/or nursing home supervisor). However, the student should be aware that the club sponsor reserves the right to decline service hours if it is believed the student has falsified service records. In that case, the student may appeal the decision to his or her grade level principal.

We are pleased you have chosen to serve your school and community by volunteering for a worthy cause. You truly exemplify the community spirit of Taylor High School and we are proud of you.

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When logging in to the system for the first time:

Click on the "Register" link next to the "Login" link. Fill in all the relevant information and type in "James E. Taylor High School" or "77450" when selecting your school. Use the email address and then a password that you will use in x2vol. You will then await approval and once approved, will be able to start using the system to track your hours.