

INDIAN CREEK HIGH SCHOOL

Friday, November 13, 2009

Dear United States History Student and Parent or Guardian:

As we continue to roll forward in the school year, we want to thank the students for their work and bring that to the attention of their parents or guardians. Additionally, we wanted to make you aware of a project that students will be asked to complete and present during the fourth quarter. By giving everyone adequate time, some or all of the requirements may be completed by using the holiday break.

The project is to complete a minimum of two hours of community service for an organization based in the local communities or county. Once it is complete, the students will be asked to give a presentation on how this service project helped the organization meet its mission to the community and what the student learned about participating as an active community member.

The students may complete this project in a variety of ways. Listed below are a few ideas:

1. In a service based organization that works within DeKalb County such as FFA.
2. In their local faith based youth group that plan service work during the holiday season.
3. In an organization such as Boy Scouts or Girl Scouts which has an upcoming service project.
4. Students may work individually or in small groups to assist an organization in the community. Some examples from the past are participation in Bowl for Kids Sake, volunteer work clean up work for various organizations, or serving dinners.

We are open to any idea that will help the students gain an appreciation of being an active member in the community. The only restrictions are we do not want the activities to be fundraisers for another school organization or baby-sitting for families. While both of these are worthwhile activities, it is my goal to help the students see the value in community-based service.

We hope this turns out to be a rewarding and worthwhile experience for everyone involved. If the students need letters of introduction to community leaders for the project, we will be happy to provide them. If there are questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Farnsworth, whose students have completed this assignment in prior years, in person by phone or at dfarnswo@kidsroe.org. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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