

Community Service Learning Partner Application

****Please Complete Section 1 Only****

Students who have completed a minimum of 75 hours of documented community service, along with the required reflection component, in Grades 9-12 are eligible to receive one (1) career focus academic credit. This credit may be applied toward graduation for students graduating in Classes 2023 through 2026. 75 hours of community service is required for all Arkansas students graduating in the Class of 2027 and beyond.

Community service hours must be completed at a state-approved community organization or as part of a service-learning school program. Community or non-profit organizations may apply for state approval through the local school board as a community service learning site by completing this application.

FSPS Community Service Learning Coordinator: Dr. Tony Jones, Director of Secondary Education
Fort Smith Public Schools, 3205 Jenny Lind, Fort Smith, AR 72903 (479) 785-2501.

The Community Service Learning program is governed by Ark. Code Ann. § 6-16- 120. 1.02

Name of Non-Profit/Community Organization:

Fort Smith Regional Art Museum

Name of Director/Contact Personal: *

Michell DiMascio

Address of the Organization (City/State/Zip): *

1601 Rogers Avenue, Fort Smith, AR 72901

Email Address: *

michelle@fsram.org

Phone Number: *

479-784-2787

Hours of Operation: *

Tuesday - Saturday 11am-5pm, Sunday 1pm-5pm. Closed to the public Monday

What is the mission of the non-profit/community organization? *

Non-profit museum and education

What service(s) does the non-profit/community organization provide? *

Located in downtown Fort Smith, the Fort Smith Regional Art Museum (RAM) offers fine art exhibitions in five galleries featuring world-class artists, important traveling exhibitions, the museum's extensive permanent collection, and art by emerging artists. In its modern, 16,000-square-foot, state-of-the-art facility, RAM offers a wide range of art education opportunities and cultural events. From professional art workshops and juried art contests to online art classes and free Saturday art making programs, ram connects with schools, visitors and community members of all ages and ethnic backgrounds to support the cultural needs of the region."

Describe the kinds of volunteer tasks students will perform.

Craft/Art assistants, front desk greeter, art guards (keeping people/crowds from getting too close to the the art. It happens more often that you'd think.)

The Act 648 implementation guide requires "precautions, policies and procedures" in place to ensure the safety of student volunteers. How will this non-profit/community organization ensure student safety? *

They are with a museum employee at all times, most of our work spaces are accessed by key card. They don't do any tasks I wouldn't do. I walk them out of the building either to their cars or to the family member picking them up. We use the buddy system here.

List any special considerations of the non-profit/community organization. *

Not a requirement but an interest in art -- whether as an admirer or as an artist, you can be a new artist gaining skills or already accomplished. People who are interested in nonprofit work, fundraising, or people who want to keep local arts and history alive.

Do you have any questions?

Thanks for adding us to your list.

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A completed application requires FSPS School Board approval with the signature of the School Board President and the date of the School Board meeting that the application was approved.

How may the activities described connect to curriculum learning goals. (AR Act 648 [implementation guide](#) on the ADE website contains a breakdown of a few subject areas and goals)

School Board President Signature

Date this Application Was Approved by the Board

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