

# Community Service Learning Community Partner Application for Local and State Board Approval

## School District Information

- Name of the School District Initiating this application: Greenwood School District
- Name of the district/school licensed faculty supervisor(s) with whom non-profit/community organizations will be working: Lisa Dean and Dr. Cody Chatman

## Community Partner Information

- Name of non-profit/ community organization: Project Compassion
- Name of Director/ Contact Person: Marian Conrad, Executive Director
- Address: St. Scholastica Center  
1205 South Albert Pike  
Ft. Smith, AR 72903
- Phone Number: 479-783-2273
- Email Address: director@projectcompassioninc.com
- Hours of operation: 9 AM- 3 PM
- What is the mission of the non-profit/community organization? Our mission is to bring joy, companionship, and quality of life to residents of nursing homes. Over 300 volunteers provide one-to-one visits, assist with group activities such as cards, crafts, bingo, and pet and music therapies. There is never a fee for our services.
- Please describe the volunteer activities students will participate in at the non-profit/community organization and how those activities may connect to curriculum learning goals. The Act 648 implementation guide contains a breakdown of a few subject areas and goals. Students will participate as volunteers in nursing homes in a variety of ways: one on one visits, delivery of gifts, assistance with group activities, help with crafts, games, music and/or pet therapies. These activities connect to curriculum learning goals by direct service and advocacy. Many social studies skills would be extended through the political, historic, and economic connections, civic engagement, social and political awareness, diversity issues, and critical thinking and problem solving components of community volunteerism. Students will gain compassion and empathy through contact with those who are dependent and vulnerable.
- What are the non-profit/community organization procedures and policies to ensure the safety of student volunteers? Project Compassion agrees that no student should be left alone or volunteer without an adult present at all times.
- List any special considerations of the non-profit/community organization. None

**Local School Board approval of this site as a district partner**



Signature of school board president

3-12-20

Date of meeting at which site was approved

**Return completed application and this form to**

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