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: *

First Baptist Church Fort Smith

Name of Director/Contact Person: *

Jacob Jackson

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

1400 Grand Ave Fort Smith Arkansas 72901

Phone Number: * 9049100792
Email Address: * jjackson@fsfbc.org
Hours of Operation: * 8:00-12:00 Sunday and 8:00-5:00 M-T
What is the mission of the non-profit/community organization? * To provide the truth of hope to the River Valley
What service(s) does the non-profit/community organization provide? * Church services, financial, physical, and spiritual needs.
Describe the kinds of volunteer tasks students will perform. My desire is to recruit students to join our music team for special events such as our Christmas performance. The music for this event is different and a little more challenging than their normal school material and will challenge and improve their playing/singing abilities.

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? Our church is a safe place for all with provided security teams and systems at any and all events.
List any special considerations of the non-profit/community organization. * Please see this as a great opportunity for these students. My only goal is to push them further in their musical abilities and give them exposure to more material while encouraging and mentoring them to continue moving forward with their musical talents throughout the rest of their lives.
Do you have any questions?
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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) This form did not load but I will be happy to read and answer this question. I will say that all of my rehearsals use proper techniques in teaching that applies to the voice or instrument being used. Aside from my teachings I also have professional singers and musicians who can also be a help right along side each student in rehearsals and performances.

Date this Application Was Approved by the Board	
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