

# 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:

Connected Foster Care and Adoption

Name of Director/Contact Personal: \*

Kim Humphrey-Northwest Regional Coordinator

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

3901 Grand Ave. Fort Smith, AR 72904 (local address) Central Office is in Little Rock.

Email Address: \*

kimberly.humphrey@arkansasfamilies.org

Phone Number: \*

501-410-1567 ext. 2108

Hours of Operation: \*

8am-5pm (office) On-call (24hrs.)

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

We build, strengthen, and restore Arkansas families for God's glory. Vision: Healthy families for healthy futures

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

We offer family care through Desired Haven, campus care through our homes in Monticello and Harrison, counseling through Living Well Counseling, foster care, private infant adoption, pregnancy support, and trauma trained preschool.

Describe the kinds of volunteer tasks students will perform.

The students will assist with check-in/check-out for the children, help with dinner if the parents need it, and play with the kids while the foster parents are in training.

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? \*

A background check approved Connected staff/staffers will be supervising during this time as well.

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

We are a non-profit that strives to do more with less. We would appreciate the school board allowing the students to participate as it helps 1) by allowing the students to earn volunteer credit for graduation requirements 2) us to be good stewards of our funding, 3) to support us as a small local staff to be able to meet the needs of our community

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)

School Board President Signature

Date this Application Was Approved by the Board

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