

# 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:

Harvest Time .....

Name of Director/Contact Personal: \*

Zach Bettencourt .....

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

Fort Smith, AR 72908 .....

Email Address: \*

zbettencourt@harvesttime.net

Phone Number: \*

4797197730

Hours of Operation: \*

Mondays- Saturday 9am-4pm

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

Serve and support families and individuals in the community through coordinated events and services to relieve food insecurity, family crisis, and poverty.

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

Food pantry, foster care services, counseling and mentorship, and community events and giveaways.

Describe the kinds of volunteer tasks students will perform.

Preparing and distributing food boxes at our pantry, assisting with the intake of donations and organizing items, serving families at community events, serving food for families in crisis, manning games and craft stations for events, and setting up and tearing down for events.

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? \*

We ensure the safety of student volunteers by ensuring that all volunteer positions are under the supervision of adults who have submitted and passed background checks through ARPD. We also utilize paid and volunteer security teams for services and events.

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

Though a lot of our services are during business hours, we also have multiple opportunities throughout the year for evening and weekend services.

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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