

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

School District Information

- Name of the School District Initiating this application: **Arkansas Virtual Academy**
- Name of the district/school licensed faculty supervisor(s) with whom non-profit/community organizations will be working: **MaryBeth Bailey**

Community Partner Information

- Name of non-profit/ community organization: **Operation Christmas Child/Samaritan's Purse**
- Name of Director/ Contact Person: **Paige Catt**
- Address: **700 S Eleventh Street Corning, AR 72422**
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Phone Number: **870-926-3367**

- Email Address: **plac6786@gmail.com**
- Hours of operation: **work takes place year-round with a few months requiring extra time**
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What is the mission of the non-profit/community organization? **OCC/SP is an international relief organization. Their mission is to provide local partners around the world with shoeboxes filled with small toys, hygiene items and school supplies. These boxes are used as a means of reaching out to children in their communities not only with these items but also with the Good News of Jesus Christ. Children that have been affected by war, poverty, natural disaster, famine and disease. Native American reservations in the US are also included in this endeavor. In the last three years the local church has been responsible for this year-round project, producing over 650 boxes and growing each year.**

- What service(s) does the non-profit/community organization provide? **Not only do we plan, pack and transport boxes, we are responsible for shopping, organizing items and being responsible to see that all items are in pristine condition.**
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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.

Learning goals.

- **collaborative problem solving**
- **developing basic math skills**
- **expanding short/long term planning goals**

- **develop a compassion for others**
- **appreciate the community and the role they play in this project**

- What are the non-profit/community organization procedures and policies to ensure the safety of student volunteers? **On the local level, FBC of Corning, a secure, locked facility, is the local sponsor for these tangible gifts to needy children around the world**
- List any special considerations of the non-profit/community organization. **This project is truly a community and beyond endeavor. Items and donations come in from across the state for this project. Many hours are spent maintaining, organizing and preparing to pack hundreds of boxes that are sent off in November each year.**

Local School Board approval of this site as a district partner



Signature of school board president

November 9, 2020

Date of meeting at which site was approved

Return completed application and this form to

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