

# 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:

Fort Smith Downtown Business Association

Name of Director/Contact Personal: \*

Stephanie Nugent

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

PO Box 1153 Fort Smith,AR 72902

Email Address: \*

Steph@fsdba.org

Phone Number: \*

4799266118

Hours of Operation: \*

Varies depending on event

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

The Fort Smith Downtown Business Association's mission is to develop and promote the downtown area as a culmination of services, shopping, entertainment, dining, history, and values of tradition within our community. One way we do this is by providing community event and celebrations that bring crowds downtown

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

Supporting business and hosting community events free to the public

Describe the kinds of volunteer tasks students will perform.

Monitoring bounce houses, selling water and cokes. Help with set up and tear down of tents and tables, face painting etc

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? \*

Events are permitted by the city, there is a large police presence to ensure safety of the public, and board members of the organization and other adult volunteers are present

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

None

Do you have any questions?

No

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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)

Link does not work - our events are a public service. Volunteers learn the value of providing free events that all can attend and enjoy equally. They learn responsibility by manning a post, and cooperation as we all work together.

School Board President Signature

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## Date this Application Was Approved by the Board

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