



— CHRISTIAN SERVICE REQUIREMENTS —

It is out of the above statement that BFC’s Christian Service requirement develops. As members of the body of Christ, we strive to do the work of God on Earth.

As a Christ-centered community, we seek to guide our students in reflecting the Image of God through their actions. The yearly service requirement enables students to put their faith into action as they work in service of others. Additionally, this requirement serves as a way for students to broaden their understanding of the community around them by offering their time and talents to people they do not meet on a daily basis.

Submit by completing the Google Form entitled “Christian Service Submission Form” found on the Christian Service page of the BFC website. Service hours for the Fall are due **November 29, 2023**. Service hours for the Spring are due **April 17, 2024**. *When submitting photos, please ensure that **only BFC students and persons over the age of 18** are represented in the photos. If the photo contains persons under 18 who are not BFC students, please obscure their faces.*

The chart below allows students and families to familiarize themselves with the required number of hours by year, in addition to stating how many hours students will need in order to graduate according to their graduation year.**

Class of...	2020–21	2021–22	2022–23	2023–24	2024–25	2025–26	2026–27	TOTAL
2024*	8	10	12	12	—	—	—	42
2025	—	10	10	12	12	—	—	44
2026	—	—	10	10	12	12	—	44
2027	—	—	—	10	10	12	12	44

* Hours adjusted for pandemic safety protocols

** Students who transfer into BFC must speak with the Campus Minister regarding their required number of hours.

SERVICE HONORS

As an undeniably Catholic community, BFC has several awards for students who go above and beyond in serving others. Members of the Sophomore class who submit over 50 hours and members of the Junior class who submit over 100 hours are recognized during award ceremonies in the Spring. All Seniors who submit more than 200 cumulative service hours during their time at BFC are recognized during the Senior Honors Banquet.

WHAT IS CONSIDERED AN ACCEPTABLE SERVICE OPPORTUNITY?

When considering what actions may serve to fulfill the Christian Service requirement, ask yourself these questions as a guide:

Answering "yes" to these questions makes an excellent service opportunity:	Answering "yes" to these questions disqualifies something as a service opportunity:
Does this action affirm the dignity of another person?	Is the person that you served a member of your family?
Does it empower or enable someone to claim or enhance their own dignity or somehow take more pride in themselves?	Were you required to be there or was it an expectation of the role (Student Council, Student Ambassadors, athletic team, Boy/Girl Scouts, etc.)?
Did you assist a teacher or staff member in improving the community? This can include BFC, your church, your former school, your neighborhood or a similar location.	Were you compensated for your time (class credit, monetary payment, other)?
Did you care for God's Creation — Earth, animals, etc.?	

UNACCEPTABLE SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

The following items will not be considered for service hours:

- Helping family***
- Going above and beyond for your athletic team or club (shagging balls, carrying equipment, filming, etc.)
- Hosting Future Ventures for shadow visits
- Items required by other clubs or organizations (Boy Scouts, Student Ambassadors, etc.)
- Any time you are compensated for your time whether through monetary payment, class credit or other means
- Hours submitted for NHS

*** Recognizing that many students assist their grandparents and other elderly relatives, students are permitted to submit a **total of 4 hours** in this area each year. The remaining service hours must be completed elsewhere. Please note that assisting immediate family members **cannot** be submitted under any circumstance.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For more information, visit www.bishopfoley.org/christian-service or contact the Campus Minister.



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