

2011-2012 Upper School Community Service Participation Form

As you may know, service takes many forms in the Upper School at Athens Academy. Traditionally, the service-oriented, student-led clubs (Habitat for Humanity, Interact, SEEDS, and Media & Technology) have taken a major role in promoting community service participation. Membership in these clubs is voluntary and requires attendance at meetings and a minimum number of service hours. However, participation in the service projects of these clubs is generally open to **ALL** members of the Upper School student body. In addition, class level service projects are conducted in which all the members of each class are invited to participate. Also, during the December holiday season, advisory groups may choose to participate in the Holiday Angels Project, sponsored by DFACS, through which gifts are provided for needy local children. Additionally, a number of academic disciplines have found ways to integrate consideration of service concepts into the curriculum. Finally, there is our annual Service Day in which all members of the Upper School student and faculty participate in a day of community service.

To facilitate the process of granting parental permission to participate in these various projects, we have prepared what we hope is a comprehensive form. We ask that you review below the service project choices available to your son/daughter. Faculty chaperones will be present at most service activities. We recommend that you initial below for “**ANY/ALL OF THE ABOVE**” – this does **NOT** obligate your child to participate, but grants permission if he/she chooses to do so. However, if you prefer for him/her not to participate in particular activities, please mark those items and initial next to “**NONE OF THE ACTIVITIES MARKED**”. Parents/guardians should also be aware that on some of the building service activities students might have the opportunity to use certain power tools. Such an activity would be closely supervised and appropriate safety equipment would be used. Athens Academy will provide transportation to and from Service Day activities located off-campus. However, we do ask that you acknowledge your responsibility for transportation of your child to and from all other service events by **ALSO signing & dating at the bottom of this form**. This permission slip covers most service events for 2011-2012. Participation in the Relay for Life in May will require separate authorization that will be forwarded to you in the spring.

Detailed information about each of these activities will be provided for the students and will be generally published on the Dean of Students webpage; however, if you have any questions or concerns about this form or about these activities, please do not hesitate to call the Upper School Office.

Habitat for Humanity	SEEDS	
On-Campus Builds _____	Tree Recycling _____	
Off-Campus Builds _____	Botanical Gardens _____	
Off-Campus Fundraiser _____	Community Education _____	
Community Education _____	Ecology Field/Camping Trips _____	
Interact	Service Day	
Shelter Dinners _____	Special Olympics Basketball/Bowling _____	
Oglethorpe Tutoring _____	Food Bank NE Georgia _____	
Concessions Help _____	Touring Entertainers _____	
Fall Festival Parking _____	Painting Crews _____	
Holiday Bell Ringing _____	Nursing Home Visitors _____	
Rotary Officer Lunch _____	Red Cross Volunteers _____	
Hands on Athens _____	Nuci’s Space _____	
Humane Society _____	Public Elementary Schools _____	
Hospital Visits _____	Habitat Build _____	
Class Projects	Fundraising Project _____	
Elder Care Activities _____	Salvation Army Dinner Prep _____	
Fundraising Activities _____	Oconee Animal Shelter _____	
Holiday Deliveries _____	Use of Power Tools _____	
Clothing Deliveries _____	Summer Service & Retreats _____	
Shelter Dinners _____		
Oglethorpe Tutoring _____		

ANY/ALL THE ABOVE _____ (initial) or **NONE OF THE ACTIVITIES MARKED** _____ (initial)

With the exception of Service Day activities, I accept responsibility for transportation of **my son/daughter**,

_____ (**PLEASE PRINT Student Name**), to and from the events I have approved above.

SIGNED: _____

DATE: _____