



Volunteer Service at KEYS

Our KEYS Family working together

Family Service: As a cooperative learning organization, KEYS cannot function without the involvement of our students' families. This involvement is not only important to the day to day operation of our organization, but it is also essential for the building and strengthening of the KEYS "family". **Families will be given the opportunity to sign up for areas of ministry or give a monetary blessing of \$50 – an "opt-out" option for those who cannot meet the volunteer requirement.** Areas of ministry will include either weekly commitments (study hall sponsors, office help, info table...) for those who have an hour to spare while waiting for their children OR one-time big events (fundraisers, ministry samplers, graduation...) for those who can't commit to be at KEYS weekly. There will also be opportunities to assist teachers or directors in specific areas for the school year.

Prayer

If you are willing to coordinate or be a part of the **2011-2012 PRAYER TEAM** contact Kathy Totheroh. You will receive weekly prayer requests and updates. We simply ask you to be faithful in taking these needs before the Throne of Grace at least once a week for this vital ministry.

Student Service: Encouraging students to use their gifts to minister to and serve others is a foundational part of the KEYS vision. **Students in KEYS fine arts will be expected to participate in the class outreach projects.** While fine arts provide a natural avenue for ministry and service, we realize that not all students have either a gifting or interest in that area. With that in mind, **academic only students are required to be a part of the KEYS Student Ministry Service Team.**

Purpose

Through the Ministry Service Team, students will learn to apply and grow in servant-leadership while ministering at KEYS. Those participating in the fine arts are able to serve through music, art and drama. Since our other students do not have those opportunities, the Ministry Service Team creates options for those who have talent in sound, set-up, babysitting, serving etc.

Policy

KEYS students are required either to participate in a fine arts ministry team or on the Student Ministry Service Team. Those students enrolled in a fine arts class are expected to minister with that class and those taking academic-only classes are automatically placed on the Ministry Service Team. **Team members are expected to complete at least 16 ministry hours per semester. These hours may be performed on a weekly basis or during one-time events.** **Students need to contact the Student Ministry Team Coordinators in the KEYS office during the first week of classes** in order to communicate their service preference and hours of availability. Ministry hours are to be recorded and handed in each semester to the Student Ministry Service Team coordinator (a reproducible form can be found in the forms section). It is the responsibility of the student to make sure his/her commitment is fulfilled each semester. Those students who do not complete their ministry hours will be considered in poor standing and will be required to meet with members of the KEYS board to explain the reason for failure to fulfill this commitment and to create an action plan for successfully completing responsibilities.

Perks

By being a part of the Ministry Service Team students not only develop their gifts and provide much needed service to KEYS, they also become actively involved in the KEYS student body. Ministry hours can also be counted toward community service on high school transcripts, future college and scholarship applications, as well as job resumes. At the end of each academic year, team members will receive a team certificate documenting their participation on the Ministry Service Team and graduating seniors will receive a service cord for their participation.