

Pelham Middle School  
Service Learning Program

PMS Service Learning

*The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.*

*Mahatma Gandhi*

Dear Parents/Guardians and Students,

Welcome to the Pelham Middle School Service Learning page. As part of Pelham's graduation requirements students must complete 40 hours of community service work by the time they finish high school. Students may start accumulating their hours as early as the sixth grade.

As the Pelham Middle School Service Learning Coordinator, it is a privilege to help coordinate information about opportunities for service learning. It is the district's belief that by providing students opportunities for service they will have the opportunity to develop as leaders who take initiative, solve problems, work as a team and demonstrate their abilities while and through helping others.

Community service is defined as an act or activity performed by an individual without compensation or academic credit, whose time and effort will benefit/aid a person or group of people. It is the job of the middle school coordinator to track and record the efforts of each middle school student. It is expected that our students will complete at least 3 hours of community service work before they enter high school. A total of 10 hours can be counted towards the high school requirement. Information will be posted on a regular basis on the middle school home page website under **counseling/support** so that all students can readily access this information.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns. I can be reached by email, [sbrown@pelhamschools.org](mailto:sbrown@pelhamschools.org), or by phone at 738-8192.

Sincerely,

Scott Brown

School Counselor

Pelham Middle School

