Instruction

**Community Service**

The Board recognizes that community service connects students to their communities and provides an opportunity for students to practice and apply their academic and social skills in preparation for entering the workforce. The Board further recognizes that community service is associated with increased civic awareness and participation by students, and can inspire students to continue their education and skill development beyond the classroom. Teachers are encouraged to develop service learning opportunities for students based on the national service learning standards for quality practice. Community service will be encouraged by students Grades 9-12 through their portfolio log. Students who complete 25 hours of community service each academic year and complete a Senior Project, will receive a Principal’s Award of Distinction.

Cross References: Policy 2410 High School Graduation Requirements

Legal References: ESHB 1412 RCW 28A.320.193 Provisions Applicable to all Districts

Management Resources: *Policy and Legal News June 2013* State law requires that districts adopt community service incentive policy National Youth Leadership Council K-12 Service-Learning Standards for Quality Practice

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