

Service Learning is a vital part of the Atlanta Adventist Academy experience. The Atlanta Adventist Academy student handbook states that, "Because we believe that true education involves the development of a sense of value of selfless service, students at Atlanta Adventist Academy will engage in a variety of service experiences as part of their overall education program. Through these experiences, students will practice the command of Jesus to love their neighbor and sacrifice their own time and energy for the benefit of others". The service of our students has made a positive impact in our communities through involvement with local churches, schools, youth and children's ministry events, helping feed homeless, disaster relief, mission trips, and numerous other volunteer activities.

1. Students at Atlanta Adventist Academy will receive academic credit for Service Learning, which will count towards their GPA.

Here is the grade breakdown:

Non- NHS	NHS member
20-18 hours = A	40-36 hours = A
17-15 hours = B	35-31 hours = B
14-12 hours =C	30-26 hours = C
11-9 hours= D	25-21 hours = D
8 or less hours= F	20 or less hours= F

Service learning hours will be turned in using a form attached to the Atlanta Adventist Academy website under "Service Learning Form." You can download, print, and turn in either directly to Atlanta Adventist Academy or emailed to the registrar at <u>mmann@aaa.edu</u> and cc the chaplain at chaplain@aaa.edu.

- 2. Students who complete more than the 20 (40 for NHS members) required hours of Service Learning during the school year cannot transfer that credit to the next school year's requirements. Neither can they use the extra hours to apply to a previous year's requirements in order to raise their grade for Service Learning. However, these hours will count toward recognition for "distinguished service" at graduation.
- 3. Students who accumulate 200 hours or more of Service Learning while at Atlanta Adventist Academy will be recognized as a "distinguished service" graduate.
- 4. Service Learning hours **dated** after the last day of school will NOT count toward your grade for the school year, but will count toward the next school year hours.

5. You can turn in hours completed during the summer to meet the Service Learning requirements of the following school year. Example: John Doe volunteers 15 hours for a Vacation Bible School in June. These hours will count toward his Service Learning requirements starting in August.

If you have any questions about the Service Learning program, please contact the AAA chaplain at chaplain@aaa.edu .