

SSCS FAMILY SERVICE AGREEMENT Serving Together To Strengthen Our School Community

Purpose:

We are excited to roll out this program that we believe is vital to the success of Saint Simons Christian School. Family service hours will strengthen the SSCS community, help with the school's operating costs, and support day-to-day operations.

How It Works:

- The Family Service Agreement calendar year runs June 1 through May 30 each school year. Hours do not carry over from year to year.
 If hours are not fulfilled, families will be billed on the May statement.
- 15 hours of service are required per family. This can be completed by parents, guardians or grandparents.
- We understand that not all families can meet the 15 service hours. In lieu of service, a family may choose to pay a Family Service Fee of \$150.
- Each family must declare their intentions to either provide service or pay the fee at the time of re-enrollment/enrollment.
- Opportunities to serve will be made available by the school. It is the parents' responsibility to seek out these opportunities to fulfill their service hours.
- A log for recording service hours will be maintained in the school office. It is the responsibility of the family member to record the hours. We will rely on the honor system with our families.
- A family member who serves on the School Board, as a PTA officer, or as an event committee member (such as Under the Oaks or the spring auction) will have fulfilled the entire 15 hours of service.
- Service outside of school hours for school activities (i.e. field trips) will count toward the 15 hours.
- Partial buyout will be allowed at the rate of 10/hr. (i.e. -12 hrs served; 3 hrs. remain = 30 fee)
- Service hours cannot be transferred to another family.

Points of Interest:

- Studies show that when parents are involved in their child's school, students have higher grades and test scores, better school attendance, and better overall behavior.
- Parents who volunteer are more informed of events at school.
- Students will view school and home as interconnected if they see their parents volunteer on campus.

All families with students in K4-8th grades are REQUIRED to fulfill 15 service hours during the school year or pay a Family Service Fee.

Opportunities to Serve

Classroom:

- Room Mom
- Field Trip Driver
- Home projects for teachers (i.e. – cut out things for class projects, etc...)
- Ask your child's teacher how you can be of service.

Committees:

- School Board*
- PTA Officer*
- Under the Oaks Committee*
- Auction Committee

Drama/Musical:

- Set Design
- Assist in after school rehearsals
- Costumes
- Set Up/Clean Up

PTA:

- Ice Cream Social
- Fall Family Social
- Set Up/Clean Up
- Staff Christmas Party
- Teacher Appreciation Week

Participation Notes:

- -Service is not limited to just the items listed on this page. Additional opportunities will be made available as needs arise.
- -Some opportunities require prior approval and/or requirements to participate.
- *The 15-hour requirement is met by serving those areas marked with an *.

Friday Lunch:

- Help with meal service
- Help with set up and/or Clean up

Athletics:

- Drive for away games
- Assistant Coach
- Assist in the home games and meets

Campus Service:

- Handyman assistance
- Event Set-up/Clean-up
- Summer maintenance -Painting, spreading mulch
- Yearbook Helper

